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Protestant Pastor Defies Ban On Mission Services

ROME (RNS) —Italian police have ordered the closing of a Church of Christ mission in Leghorn but its pastor said he would continue to hold services despite the ban.

The Rev. Wyndal Hudson of Sea-graves, Tex., said that Police Commissioner Alfredo Canto had presented the order from Rome's prefect of police. The commissioner, Mr. Hudson said, had indicated that the mission — operated in a private hall — would be closed by force if necessary.

"We do not intend to close our doors," Mr. Hudson said. "They will be open for our services unless forcibly closed."

The police order was the latest in a long series of incidents between the Church of Christ and Italian authorities.

In September, 1952, all 22 of the denomination's churches in Italy were ordered closed down by the government. Later, however, they were permitted to reopen pending a decision on their application for recognition as an authorized religion by the Interior Ministry. No decision on this application has yet been rendered.

(Editor's Note: Where Catholics are in the majority other denominations have a hard time. It would be the same way here if they are in the majority.)

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Long Beach Celebrates Pastor's 4th Anniversary

Long Beach Church observed the fourth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. John W. Green on February 7.

During this time the membership has grown from 82 to 618, all church organizations have made similar progress.

Mr. Green is moderator of the Gulf Coast Association and also is state board member of the Gulf Coast Association.

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HURRICANE CREEK HAS WINTER TIME REVIVAL

By Dr. C. E. Wilbanks
Director of Evangelism

A rural church can have a glorious revival in mid-winter. Hurricane Creek Baptist Church, 15 miles southwest of Columbia has just done so. The pastor of this church is Richmond A. Hancock, a city-reared boy making good in the country. Many months ago they invited us to lead their revival of eight days.

During the stay of the visiting preacher the morning meetings were well attended, and the house was full each night. The Spirit of the Lord was upon all the services.

Six were received for baptism, one by promised letter and one man re-dedicated his life. The visiting evangelist still has pain in his heart from what he saw, however. He sees the same thing in every one week meeting he conducts; the meeting closing with lost people holding up their hands saying "Pray for me."

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

He writes this column each week for the Baptist Record.

BAD DEACON

Question: I read your "Counselor's Corner" in our state paper and enjoy your advice on different subjects. We read with interest your article on "Bad Preacher" and this is my question.

We have a membership of about 600 in our church. Our attendance has grown more in the past four years than ever before. We have twenty-three deacons and there are eight or ten that have been on the deacon board entirely too long, they are just trouble makers and we all know they do not live or act as Christian deacons should. Is there some way we can get them to resign? Which is worse, a "Bad Preacher" or a "Bad Deacon?"

Answer: A part of the deacon's trouble in Baptist churches is the fault of just such members as you. Why do you speak of a "deacon board?" There is no authority for a board in a New Testament church. A good dictionary will tell you that "a board is a number of persons appointed or elected to sit in council for the management or direction of some public or private business or trust." Deacons are servants and are to do what the church instructs them to do. Call them "deacons" — the Bible does.

Deacons don't have a monopoly on trouble making. In fact, most deacons are fine humble Christian leaders. But most progressive Baptist churches solve the problem of changing leadership by rotating deacons. That way a bad deacon will annoy a congregation just so long and then they will quietly not vote him back into leadership. C. S. Lewis says that he believes in democracy because fallen man is "so wicked that not one of them can be trusted with any irresponsible power over his fellows." Tell it to the church (Matt. 18:17.)

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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Both quarter and half-time churches in the Southern Baptist Convention continue to drop, while full-time churches gained 8.4 per cent. There are now 19,295 full-time churches, compared to 2,304 quarter-time and 7,573 half-time.

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Sixty-eight people completed a study course on "Good Stewards" at Bethesda Church in Neshoba county. Rev. C. E. Tosh is the pastor.



Shown above is the ground-breaking ceremony for the new educational annex of the First Church, Brookhaven. The exercises were held on February 7. In the front line, from left to right are Gerald Kess (with shovel), Professor Crawford Lipsey, John B. Robertson, Jr., Harry Pell, Dr. Brooks H. Wester (pastor), W. H. Smith (with shovel) Melton Thurman, Bryant Cummings, and W. D. Lofton, Jr. (Photo by Jackson, Brookhaven)

Edward Jenkins Ordained



Edward Jenkins, of Rio, Louisiana, who has been serving as supply pastor of the White Sand Church in Pearl River County, was ordained by Palestine Church on February 7.

It is a favorable testimony to his life that a church in the area where he has served four years as a salesman has sought his services.

Ministers taking part in the examination and ordination were: Dr. Fred Moseley, First Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana; Rev. Macon Oswalt, Second Church, Bogalusa; Rev. Horatio Mitchell, Mt. Pleasant Church; Rev. Hartmon Sullivan, Palestine Church; Rev. James B. Carpenter, Bethel Church, and Rev. Morrell Lee, Sun Church.

Two Churches

I am thinking of two churches. These two churches have much in common. Both had a large membership in 1940, as rural church memberships go, around 200. Both of these churches are located in the open country and have a widely dispersed membership. The church field of each is about six miles across. In 1940 each church had a one room building with a Sunday School attendance of forty to fifty, both were half-time churches with a budget (if it could be called a budget) of about \$400 a year; each paid the pastor about \$300 per year (when they had a pastor).

Then it happened! One church began to pick up. The Sunday School attendance grew; they organized a Training Union, a W. M. U., and a Brotherhood; their gifts to missions increased from \$25 per year to above \$100. They bought a pastor's home; they built a new church with fifteen Sunday school rooms; baptisms increased from four to twenty-two in a years span; they called their pastor for full time; they started a mission; they increased their gifts to missions annually until this church gave over \$1,500 this year; their budget was \$12,000.

Church B continues to worship

NICHOLS SUCCEEDS BARNES AT WESSON

Rev. George A. Nichols, who strayed over into Louisiana (Opelousas) about five years ago, has assumed the pastorate at Wesson. He succeeds Rev. C. F. Barnes who recently accepted a pastorate in McComb.

In addition to his work as pastor of the Wesson church, Mr. Nichols will teach a Bible class at Copiah-Lincoln Junior College. Mrs. Nichols will be music director of the church and will also serve as part-time B. S. U. Secretary on the Co-Lin campus. Mrs. Nichols, the former Almeta Reeves, of Summit, was at one time Education Director of St. John's Church of Charlotte, North Carolina.

Since the church building was completed in 1949, a modern parsonage, valued at \$14,000, has been constructed. The church building is valued at \$130,000.

in a one room building. There has been some increase in gifts but not much. They still report forty to fifty in Sunday school; they have the same old excuses for not having a Training Union and the other organizations. They did not cooperate with the simultaneous revivals; they gave \$50 to the Co-Operative Program last year and \$12 worth of produce to the Orphan's home.

There is a reason. The first church named called a trained pastor in 1942. He brought into the church a positive program, and "know-how" and an evangelistic fire hot from the coals of a seminary class in evangelism; he remained on the job to see the results of his work.

This is no fabrication. I am looking at the record as I write, these churches are in the same state, in the same association. The situation can be duplicated in other associations, investigate the record.

Pastors in churches like the second one named may not be able to go to the seminary, but much of his training can be brought to his mail box through the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Seminars. For further information write to Director Lee Gallman, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD HAS NEW DEPARTMENT



MRS. A. DURANT PYLAND

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)—Plans for the creation of a church recreation service of the Baptist Sunday School Board were completed this week when Mrs. Agnes Durant Pyland assumed her duties as secretary of the Board's newest phase of work.

As Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Board, welcomed Mrs. Pyland, he said, "When the executive committee of the Board in its August, 1953 meeting voted to establish a Church Recreation Service, they believed a long-felt need of Southern Baptists had been met." At that time Mrs. Pyland was selected as secretary.

A native of Florida, Mrs. Pyland received her elementary and secondary education there and in Birmingham, Ala. She attended Judson College; has a diploma from the Curry School of Expression, Boston, Mass.; Bachelor of Missionary Training, WMU Training School, Louisville, Ky.; B. A. degree, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Tex.; M. R. E., Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.

A contributor to various Southern Baptist denominational publications, Mrs. Pyland is also author of Playtime, a book of social recreation written especially for church organizations, published by Broadman Press.

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The preaching that leads to repentance toward God is Christ and Him crucified. The Lord said that repentance and remission of sins in His name should be preached throughout the world, and it is not His will that any should perish. This willingness of God that all should come to repentance is shown by:

(1) His abundant provision of mercy freely given in the offering of His only begotten Son.

(2) The easy and simple terms, "Repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ."

(3) The earnestness of His many invitations and encouragements (we could never exhaust this supply: "The Lord is willing that all should come to repentance." "How often would I have gathered you, but ye would not." "Ye will not come unto me that ye might have life." "God wishes all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of truth." "As I live, saith the Lord, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live.")

(4) The time or space for repentance he has allowed sinners (the Antediluvians, Ninevites, Nebuchadnezzar, Jezebel, Esau, and Israel had its final year... the Sovereign God allots this space according to His own good pleasure).

(5) The joyous welcome of each penitent sinner; and

(6) The sincere grief over the impenitent sinner who allows the space to pass away and a change of mind is not made. The Holy Spirit is striving, lovingly persuading, while we lift Christ up, "and I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

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each association active in enlisting his association to become 100 per cent.

Alternate plans have been suggested for this year. Plan A: a School of Stewardship, the same as used last year, suggested for those churches that did not participate last year.

Plan B: A stewardship revival, featuring sermon, study and visitation, is suggested for those churches that observed the School of Stewardship last year.

Complete information on both plans will be released soon.

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33 teachers and officers of Gillsburg church Sunday School met for a two hour conference, Thursday, Feb. 18th. Dr. E. C. Williams and his entire staff of Sunday School Workers led the departmental conferences. Rev. D. T. Evans is Pastor.

Mississippi College Band First To Play For Convention



The Mississippi College Concert Band will appear on the program of the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets June 2-5 in St. Louis, Missouri, and it will be the first time a Band has ever appeared on a program of the Convention in its 109-year history.

The Band, 51 members strong, under direction of Prof. Walter B. Duda, will render special music on Thursday night before the audience expected to pack the 15,000-capacity St. Louis Municipal Auditorium.

Officers of the Band are: Billy Latham, Greenville, president; Joe Abrams III, Clinton, assistant director; Jo Ann Stanley, Brookhaven, secretary; Billy Spell, Clinton, business manager; Carol Quinn, Memphis, reporter; and Bradley Pope, Brookhaven, Chaplain.

Approximately 600 Mississippians from every section of the state are expected to attend the convention.

Churches Challenge Evangelist; Offer Reward For 'Miracle'

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla (RNS) A heated controversy raged here between evangelist Oral Roberts and the Churches of Christ, who offered a \$1,000 reward for proof of one "miracle."

Mr. Roberts is conducting a two-week tent campaign on the outskirts of the city, with special meetings daily to pray for the sick.

The Pinellas County Churches of Christ ran a large ad daily offering the reward. It said the group would give "\$1,000 for acceptance evidence of one case of miraculous, divine healing of cancer, tuberculosis, withered limbs, or paralysis. Certified testimony of any three reputable physicians, members of the Pinellas Medical Society, will be accepted as sufficient evidence."

Mr. Roberts previously was denied a city license to bring his tent revival campaign here after protests from the United Churches of Greater St. Petersburg.

Mr. Roberts claimed that he is not a faith healer. He said, "The whole world has been waiting a long time for preachers of righteousness to emphasize and forcefully preach that God is able, willing and desirous, to heal both body and soul."

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Five Young People Surrender At Noxapater

Five young people have given themselves to special Christian service at the Noxapater Church recently and in doing so, have led six others to salvation in Christ.

Those coming for special service are: Sylvia Price, Martha Ann Martin, Rosemary Ingram, Ann Hensley and George Morris. George made his decision while on a week-end pass from the Air Force.

Six other young men have been ordained as deacons and the church has voted to employ a Director of Music and Education. Rev. Ivor Clark is pastor.

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Baylor University, Waco, Texas, and attended the Graduate School of Business Administration, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

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March 2—Mr. Walter B. Duda, Mississippi College faculty; R. W. Porter, Copiah Representative, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

March 3—G. G. Pierce, Baptist Building; Howard Luna, Trustee, Blue Mountain College.

March 4—T. M. Hederman, Jr., Trustee, Mississippi College; Mrs. J. A. Anderson, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

March 5—Miss Edwina Robinson, Baptist Building; Ira Perkins, BSU President, Clarke College.

March 6—J. Herd Hill, Chickasaw Associational Brotherhood President; Mrs. Mynor Gamble, Madison Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

March 7—Gordon Burt, Pike Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Roy Kolb, Benton Associational Training Union Director.

Beacon Church Observes Anniversary Of Pastor

The Beacon Church in Laurel last Sunday, Feb. 21 observed the fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Tom Renfro with special services.

During that time 358 people have come forward for membership, 248 by letter or restoration, and 110 on profession of faith.

Gifts to all causes totaled \$53,815.00. Of this amount \$5,300.00 was given to missions. During the first three years a property debt of \$7,680.50 was paid out. Since that, \$4,447.83 has been added to the Building Fund, and numerous property improvements and additions have been made.

All five buildings have been painted; the educational buildings have also been reroofed, as has the garage, and a portion of the pastorium.

A water heater and a gas range have been added to the kitchen, and a piano placed in the nursery.

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March Calendar Of Activities

1-5 — W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Home Missions.

9 — Regional Sunday School Convention, Cleveland

10 — Regional Sunday School Convention, Yazoo City.

11 — Regional Sunday School Convention, Natchez

18-20 — State R. A. Congress, Main Street, Hattiesburg

21-26 — Baptist Faith Week

25 — Fourth term begins at Clarke College.

27-April 16 — District Sunday School Conferences

28 — Home and Foreign Mission Day in the Sunday School

30-April 1 — W. M. U. Convention.

31 — Fourth term begins at Mississippi College

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Rev. O. O. Davis has accepted the call of First Church, Columbia to become the pastor of the South Columbia Mission.

Calvary Church Gift Starts Drive

A \$2,000 gift donation by Calvary Church, Jackson, last week toward the Mississippi College enlargement campaign inspired the student body to pledge themselves to raise an additional \$10,000 for needed campus buildings. Headed by student body president Pilly Dye, the drive received the enthusiastic approval of the student body last week.

Key item in the current enlargement campaign is the construction of a Fine Arts building to help relieve cramped conditions brought on by the largest enrollment in the school's history.

A number of outstanding Baptist leaders and families have already made contributions toward the current campaign. President Nelson reports, with several churches providing sizable gifts, both individually and through the state Co-operative program. More than \$300,000 is needed for the Fine Arts building alone.

Our urgent need is an additional women's dormitory costing some \$150,000. More reservations for women students are now on hand for next session—even before high school graduates begin to apply for admission—than the college can provide housing for. A classroom building is also greatly needed, as well as facilities for women's physical education. And not too far away is the need for more men's housing.

In addition to other grants, the G.M. & O. Railroad made a conditional gift of \$10,000 provided Mississippi College could raise \$40,000 by a March 14th deadline. Approximately \$10,000 remains to be raised before the railroad grant can be secured.

In the kickoff for the student campaign, which will include student groups making personal contacts over the state, Dye said "Our so-called 'small' student body can do great things. With every student accepting the responsibility of raising \$10,000 by personal gift or by personal contact, our goal will be reached. Mississippi College is growing and M. C. students are its growth. May we not be denied in our attempt to go forward."

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A Golden Opportunity

On Friday of last week important ballots were mailed to a large group of pastors and other church staff members and churches in Mississippi.

These ballots were sent to all members and churches now active in the Ministers Retirement Plan and those receiving them were asked to vote whether they wanted to enter the New Ministers Security Plan or remain in the present Ministers Retirement Plan.

The members and churches now have, in the good old Baptist, democratic fashion a golden opportunity to take a real forward step in the matter of providing security for the pastors and other full-time Christian workers serving our churches.

The new Ministers Security Plan was approved by our State Convention last November and must be approved now by two-thirds of the active Minister Retirement Plan members, along with their churches, by July 1 in order to become effective by that date.

The new Plan offers several very desirable and needed benefits over the present Plan.

The additional cost to the members and the churches is comparatively small, certainly in keeping with the times and with the benefits involved.

Everything else has gone up in cost during the past few years and this additional cost is only in line with the times.

Members of the present Ministers' Retirement Plan will not have a chance to enter this new Plan after July 1, if it is adopted by two-thirds vote.

May we urge everyone involved to consider this seriously before voting to stay in the present Plan.

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When Baptist Editors Meet

Members of the Southern Baptist Press Association held their annual session in Biloxi February 9-11. An account of the meeting was carried in last week's issue of the Baptist Record.

The Association is composed of the editors of our state Baptist papers and of the official Southwide journalists. Practically all of these were present. The two or three absentees had good excuses. In addition to the editors, several editorial assistants and business managers, as well as visitors, were in attendance.

Too few Southern Baptists realize the value and influence of the Southern Baptist press. The circulation of the various state papers is now more than a million weekly. The two mission journals and the Baptist Program make the

circulation close to 1,500,000. That means that approximately 5,000,000 people are reached by these publications.

This means that the Southern Baptist press provides a medium of communication of which the value cannot be estimated and it is significant that as the circulation of the various papers has increased, so have the interest and the offerings of Southern Baptists increased. It is still true that as someone has said, "People are usually down on what they are not up on."

Many readers will recall the statement of Dr. Duke K. McCall at the close of the European Relief Campaign a few years ago. The Campaign was projected at Miami and had to be done and done in a hurry. He frankly admitted that without the help of the Southern Baptist Press his job would have been an impossible one.

It was a great success.

Our Southern Baptist papers also serve as unifying agencies. While each paper is independent of every other paper, as Southern Baptists we are aiming at the same thing and trying to achieve the same goal. While there may be slight differences as to method, the goal is the same. Most of them carry major news items in about the same style. That means that a Baptist in California is just as good a Baptist as a Baptist in Mississippi. It means that Training Union work in Oregon is about like the Training Union work in Mississippi.

In other words, all these papers are united in the support of South-

ern Baptist work. Week after week they carry reports about the work and the program and figures indicate that they are succeeding in a marvelous way.

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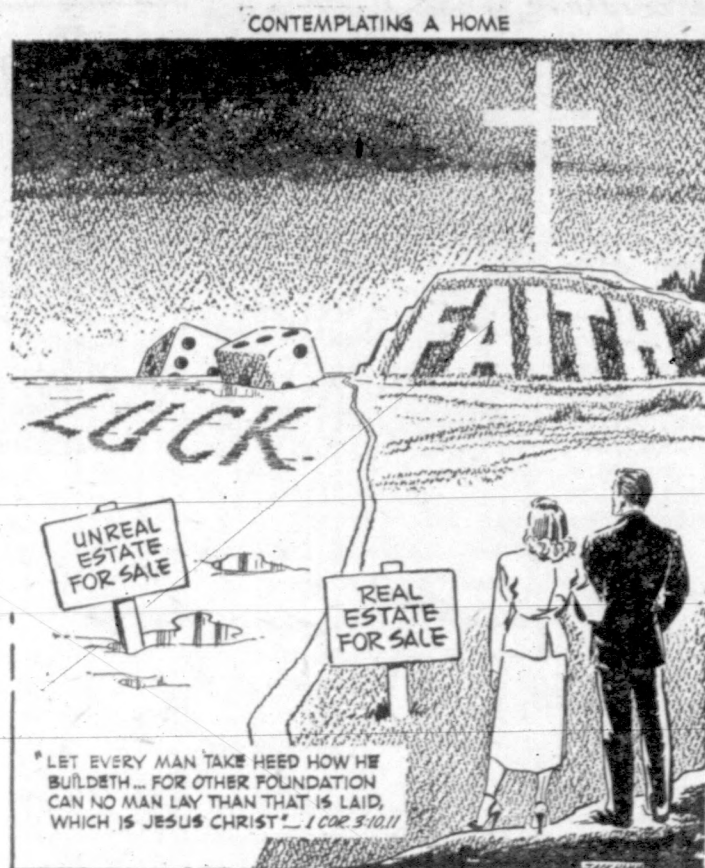
In the last issue of the Baptist Record an editorial was published urging the passing of House Bill No. 248 which would prohibit the grant or payment by the State of Mississippi of any fund to any institution, corporation, or association which is owned, or operated, or managed, or controlled in whole or in part by any church, or by any religious society, organization, association, or group, either incorporated or unincorporated.

Evidently there is great interest in the passage of this bill. We have had several telephone calls, personal requests, and letters asking for more information. Especially are the people concerned as to the personnel of the committee.

The members of the committee are Ed White, chairman; E. J. Stevens, D. M. Baker, R. O. Bickstaff, Bennett E. Smith, W. J. Blass, John B. Farese, Geo. W. Howell, H. T. Holmes, W. H. Johnson, Connie Mack Lloyd, D. M. Maples, James Robertshaw, Geo. W. Rogers, W. O. Semmes, T. L. Williamson, and Dave Womack. All may be addressed as follows: House of Representatives, Jackson, Miss.

We suggest that our readers write members of the committee expressing their sentiments concerning this legislation.

It should be passed.



Jackson First Church Commended

Jackson's First Baptist Church, long identified with Mississippi Baptist life and often the host to many state-sponsored meetings, this week has stepped out entirely on its own in sponsoring a Pastors Seminar.

This seminar has been designed as a refresher course for pastors, preachers and interested church workers.

An outstanding faculty has been secured and four vital subjects are being featured.

The evening sessions are designed primarily for the public but are also being kept in line with the Seminar's program.

This type of course for pastors has long been needed and the host church, under the leadership of its pastor, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, is to be commended for sponsoring and providing it.

We feel that the entire life of Mississippi Baptists will be strengthened as the pastors and other church leaders are helped by this week of intensive refresher study.

Every pastor and interested church worker in the state has been invited to attend.

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Our Readers Write

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

May the Lord continue to bless you and use you increasingly. You are an excellent editor and are giving us, according to my thinking the best paper which comes to my desk. I see all of them from time to time, and want to congratulate you that you are using the type of paper which you do. It is a newspaper, and you are saving money and putting money back into the denomination.

—Your Friend and Co-laborer.

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BROTHER LAYMAN, DON'T DO THIS

(By A Pastor)

The Church was apparently in fine condition. There was a good Church building, a good Pastorium, and the Church had a very fine, consecrated, capable, and efficient set of officers and leaders. Everyone thought that the Church was on solid ground for time and Eternity. The years passed. Suddenly, out of a clear sky, the Church began to lose ground. Children who had grown up in the Church, and who had married and established homes, began

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Coopersville Is In

A recent addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is Coopersville Church in Scott county. Rev. H. C. Davis is the pastor.

After trying the Baptist Record for a few weeks on the promotion plan the church voted to continue it. That's what usually happens when the promotion plan is tried.

Record readers in Scott county are now listed as follows:

COOPERSVILLE, 22; BETHLEHEM, 47; BRANCH, 41; Clifton, 2; CASH, 23; FOREST, FIRST, 231; GOOD HOPE, 42; HARPERVILLE, 67; HILLSBORO, 32; HOMEWOOD, 25; HOPEWELL, 26; Lake, 17; LIBERTY, 34; LUDLOW, 98; MORTON, 178; New Home, 10; Oak Grove, 18; Pleasant Ridge, 2; PULASKI, 23; Sand Ridge, 19; RIDGE, 24; SPRINGFIELD, 65; UNION, 21; TWO MILE, 29; SALEM, 25.

Midway Is In

Both Clarke College ministerial students and faculty as a whole are loyal and helpful to the Baptist Record. The latest evidence of this cooperation is the EVERY FAMILY list from Midway Church in Newton County. The pastor is Dr. J. F. Carter of the Clarke County faculty. Midway has had a good list of individual subscriptions for years, but they have now switched to the EVERY FAMILY plan.

Record readers in Newton County are now listed as follows:

BETHEL, 50; BEULAH, 42; Center Ridge, 1; CHUNKY, 49; Cross Road, 10; DECATUR, CLARKE VENABLE, 175; DUFFEE, 44; Good Hope, 1; Greenland, 1; HICKORY, 92; LAWRENCE, 27; LIBERTY, 42; MIDWAY, 28; MT. PLEASANT, 24; MT. VERNON, 37; NEW IRELAND, 33; New Prospect, 18; NEW PROVIDENCE, 26; NEWTON, 337; Oakland, 7; Pine Grove, 17; PINKNEY, 29; PLEASANT HILL, 43; Rock Branch, 2; STRATTON, 26; SULPHUR SPRINGS, 41; UNION, FIRST, 190.

Nail Makes Good

At the Chickasaw County Association last fall at Van Vleet, the pastor Rev. H. B. Nail stated that he was going to lead his

church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan. He did it. All he did was to ask that the Baptist Record be sent a few weeks on trial so that his people could become acquainted with it.

A recent letter from the treasurer, H. A. Ashby, who succeeded W. F. Davis as treasurer (resigned), instructed that the Baptist Record be continued on the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Chickasaw County Record readers are now listed as follows:

Amity, 3; Arbor Grove, 14; BETHEL, 34; Egypt, 15; HOULKA, 91; HOUSTON, 171; MT. OLIVE, 37; OKOLONA, 106; PLEASANT RIDGE, 71; SHILOH, 39; UNION CHAPEL, 46; VAN VLEET, 36; Woodland, 7; Providence, (McCondy), 18.

Hamilton Scores Again

Having had experience with the Baptist Record at other churches, Rev. W. C. Hamilton, pastor of Forest Grove Church in Tishomingo county, wanted that church also to enjoy its benefits.

He sent a list to whom sample copies were sent. That was enough. Recently the Baptist Record was instructed to continue sending the paper to the list to whom sample copies had been sent. The free trial plan does work.

Record readers in Tishomingo county are now listed as follows: Belmont, 2; BETHLEHEM, 23; BURNSVILLE, 28; Cross Roads, 1; Forest Grove, 17; Golden Central, 3; IUKA, 122; Mt. Moriah, 18; Mt. Vernon, 14; New Liberty, 16; New Prospect, 19; New Salem, 16; Overton Chapel, 13; PADEN, 24; SOUTH CROSS ROADS, 41; Tishomingo, 1; OLD HAM, 24.

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THE LIFE OF CHRIST, compiled from the Four Gospels, was published as a result of a felt need among students and educators for a unified account of Christ's life. The author, Dr. Powell B. Trotter, was born in Duck Hill, Mississippi and received his B. A. degree from Mississippi College. He practiced dentistry in Mississippi for twenty-one years. At the present he lives and practices in Memphis, Tennessee where he is a deacon and Sunday School teacher in the Baptist Church. The book may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store or from Pageant Press, 130 West 42nd Street, New York 36, New York, for \$3.

New Educational Worker



MISS DOROTHY NICHOLS

Miss Dorothy Nichols has recently been employed as educational secretary of Immanuel Church, Natchez.

She has served in a similar position at First Baptist Church of Arcadia, Louisiana for the past two years. Miss Nichols is a graduate of Louisiana College and holds the Master of Religious Education degree from New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

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CALVARY CALLS JONES

Rev. J. Howard Jones, who recently resigned as pastor of the Leesburg Church in Rankin county, has accepted the pastorate of Calvary Church, Vicksburg. He begins his pastorate on February 28.

Mr. Jones was educated at Louisiana College and the New Orleans Seminary. He succeeds Rev. Barney Walker, Jr., who recently accepted the post as chaplain of a LeTourneau plant.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Jones are natives of Louisiana.

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McIlwain To Horn Lake

Rev. B. F. McIlwain has accepted the pastorate at Horn Lake and will move on the field March 1.

Mr. McIlwain is a graduate of Union University and of Southern Seminary.

He succeeds Rev. Eugene Fleming who accepted a pastorate in Tennessee. In other words, it was a swap proposition. Tennessee gets the Horn Lake pastor and Horn Lake gets a Tennessee pastor.

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INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM FOR STUDENT NIGHT RELATED

December 27, at the regular evening worship hour, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Independence, Mississippi in Tate County observed for the first time, Student Night at Christmas. The theme of the program was "This Is the Life". Songs and scriptures by the students carried out this theme. The purpose and organization of the B.S.U. The Spirit of B.S.U. and "What the B.S.U. Means to Me" were talks presented by the students. A message on "This is the Life" was delivered by the pastor, Rev. Billy Greene.

Students taking part in the program were Max Graham, Clarke Memorial; George Steward, Mississippi College; Shirley Steward, Old Miss; Ruby Gay Walker, North West Jr. College, Senatobia; Peggy Brooks and Bobby Jo Scott, Delta State; Kenneth Burford, Mississippi State College. The program under the direction of the pastor and his wife, was a great success.

FRANK HORTON VISITS S. J. C. Frank Horton, former BSU Sec'y for Sunflower Jr., recently returned there to lead in a Sing-Spiration. Mr. Horton is now Educational Director for First Church, Canton.

Three from Sunflower have volunteered for Home Mission Work in the West; two for State Train-

ing Union work; one for Association mission work and three for the Ridgecrest staff.

Rev. W. L. Compere, of Greenville, is to be the BSU Banquet speaker Feb. 15th at Sunflower.

MISS. STUDENT ACTIVE

From Lee C. Sheppard, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Columbia, Mo., comes a letter stating one of Miss. students at Stephens College is active in the work of the church. A brochure listing and picturing student activities and facilities is enclosed and is heartening.

MISS. COLLEGE REPORTS

Miss. College's January report shows 818 of the 1170 boarding students having full-fledged membership in a local Baptist Church; 949 Baptist students enrolled in at least one unit organization; average attendance in Sunday School of 207, in Training Union, 115, and in Y. W. A., 130.

"Red and Yellow, Black and White" was the theme of Clarke College's recent BSU banquet attended by 136. The film, "That They May Hear," was the main feature.

Your State Secretary feels that in our work the majors should be: Prayer, Bible Study, and Personal Witnessing. All else, we feel, should be subordinate.

Rev. Fred E. Pohl New Pioneer Church Pastor

Rev. Fred E. Pohl became pastor of the Pioneer Church, Wilkinson, last Sunday.

Mr. Pohl, of Houston, Texas, is a third-year student at New Orleans Seminary and a graduate of the University of Corpus Christi.

They will move to Wilkinson at the end of the school year.

He is a veteran of the North African and European theaters in World War II, with three years active duty 1942-45.

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Mr. and Mrs. John A. Parker, Southern Baptist missionaries to Chile, are returning to the States on furlough and may be addressed at Route 2, Box 136, Lucedale. Miss. Mr. Parker is a native of Lucedale.

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Our Readers Write

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to drift away. The older generation began to die out. One by one the ranks were depleted, and one sad day, the remaining members realized that somewhere along the line, someone had made a serious mistake. The old group of capable, efficient, consecrated officers and leaders were rapidly dying out, and there was no one to replace them. The younger adults, who had never been given any more of a place in the Church than they had had as young children, had lost interest and had drifted away from the Church. Meanwhile the Church building and Pastorium had both begun to deteriorate rather rapidly, and the Church treasury was running low. Offerings were not

coming in as they had once done. Everything seemed to be going wrong at once.

What was the trouble? Everyone decided that the Pastor was not capable, and he was dismissed. Two or three more Pastors came and went in rapid succession during the next few years, each one leaving the Church a defeated man.

Finally, the Church began to show a feeble sign and promise of a bit of increase in vigor and growth. A few years more, and a new Church and Pastorium were built, the crowds increased again, and the Church was on her way. How do we explain this? It has happened more than once in Southern Baptist Churches.

The explanation is simple; the origi-

nal set of officers and leaders the Church had were lifetimers. As younger people came on the scene, and as young people became mature men and women, they were not given any place of service. They drifted away and lost interest. There was nothing to tie them onto the Church. They had no responsibility. And suddenly, when the older generation began to die out and there was no seasoned, trained, experienced personnel to take their places, the Church suddenly, and rapidly, began to lose ground. There were fewer and fewer of the old group, as the Grim Reaper swung his blade, and fewer and fewer of the younger group, as they grew to manhood and womanhood and wandered off, losing interest.

The remedy? Simple, indeed. Begin a rotation system, and work in a few

new workers every year. Romans 12:5 teaches that a Church is a democracy, where everyone is on an equal footing. There is absolutely no Scriptural authority for lifetime deacons. The late Dr. M. E. Dood once wrote in a personal letter, "—on the matter of life deaconship and annual call for Pastors. Neither one is either Scriptural or sensible. Many Churches practice the system of rotation in office for the deacons, electing one-third of the Board each year and making them ineligible for re-election until one year has intervened."

This, indeed is the common-sense method, to work in a few new deacons and other workers every year. We knew of one woman who was a WMU President for forty-six years! Brother Layman, don't do this!

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

He writes this column each week for the Baptist Record.

Divorced Preacher

Question: A young man has been called to the ministry with an unusually strong and deep conviction. He feels that he must preach. At the present he is preaching with some degree of success, while attending school to prepare himself to really preach and serve. But he has been divorced and is now married again. He and his present wife are happy and devoted to each other.

The problem is this. He has had his application for admission to the seminary turned down by two seminaries of his own denomination, yet he has been accepted by two other seminaries of other denominations. What is such a young man to do under such circumstances?

Answer: I happen not to know the policies of our Southern Baptist seminaries concerning accepting divorcees. It would be my judgment that they consider each case on its own merit.

However, I would not blame them for rejecting those who have been divorced. They have to reject somebody because they are overcrowded. And the odds are against a divorced person making a success in a pastorate. Sooner or later some pharisee in the congregation will use his being a divorcee against him by saying, "I don't want a man who is living in adultery in our pulpit" — regardless of his grounds of divorce.

I think this is contrary to the spirit and teachings of Christ. Divorced people should be treated with respect like all other human beings. No quoting of Bible verses will justify human hate.

Tell the young man not to compromise his beliefs by going to some other seminary. If God called him, there will be some place for him to serve, providing he is willing to love and not get bitter.

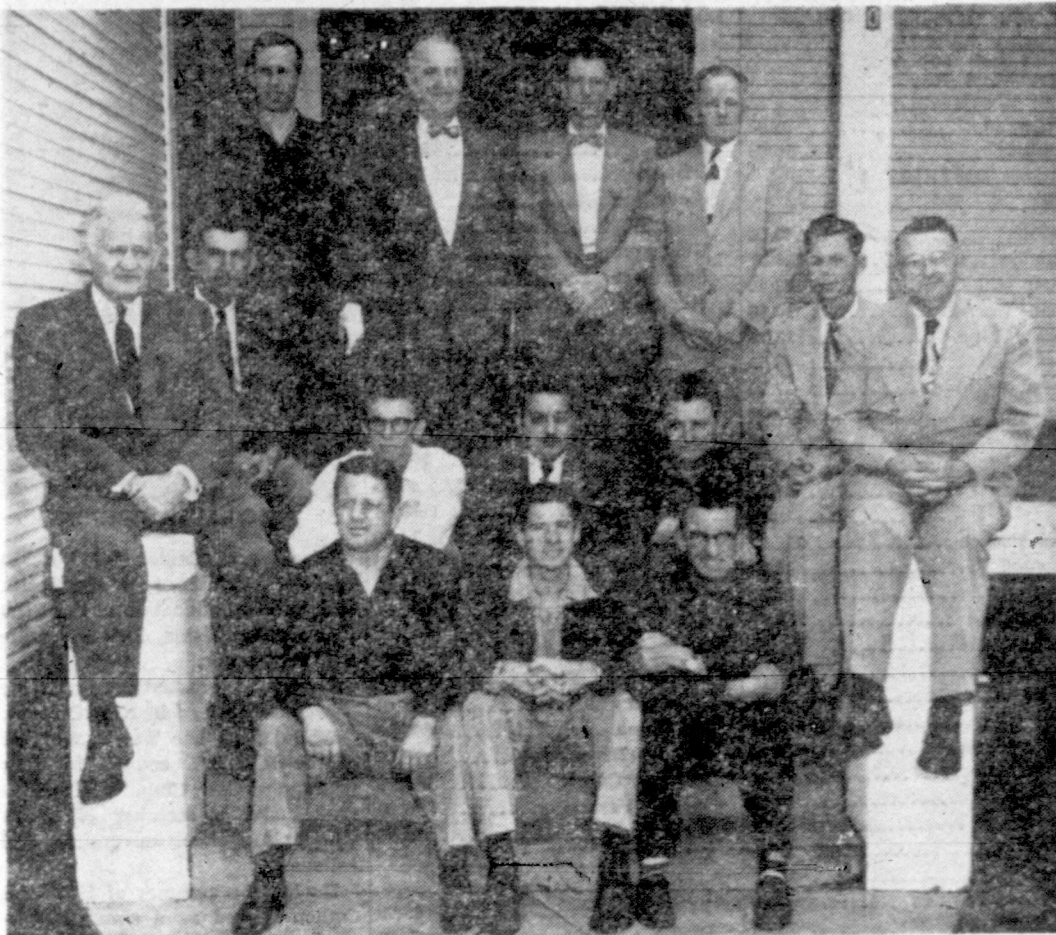
(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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Woman's College Buys First Building For Men



Above is a picture of the first building that has been purchased to accommodate some of the young men that are going to Woman's College. Sensing the need of housing facilities, the administration is leaving no stone unturned in preparation for the anticipated increase in the student body. The blueprint for the boys' new dormitory will soon be completed.

In the picture are, from left: Seated on lower step: E. A. Hester, Ellisville; Bill Cain, Mobile; J. R. Boutwell, Laurel. Others seated: Dr. I. E. Rouse, college president; C. R. Wicker, Smithdale; David Larrimore, Hattiesburg; Harvey Duke, Mobile; W. A. Fordham, Picayune; R. L. McNamee, Jackson; S. M. (Happy) White, director of public relations. Standing: Howard Pittman, Columbia; Dr. Judson Chastain, Richton, professor of education and psychology; E. E. Williams, Opelousas, La., and H. D. Hawkins, Tuscola.

The Law Requires Exact Titles

It should be of Christian interest to every Baptist, and of paramount legal importance to every Attorney at Law to know the legal names of the convention and its incorporated agencies. The legal name of the great body of Baptists to which we belong is:

Southern Baptist Convention.
The legal terminology of the agencies of this convention are as follows:

Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.
Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.
Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.
The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.
The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary.
The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Inc.

Southern Baptist Hospital.
Southern Baptist Foundation.
The Commission on the American Baptist Theological Seminary.

Woman's Missionary Union

Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Southern Baptist Historical Commission.

Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The title of state organizations are

The Baptist Foundation.
Mississippi College.
Blue Mountain College.
Mississippi Woman's College.
Clarke Memorial College.
Mississippi Baptist Hospital (Jackson).

Baptist Memorial Hospital (Memphis).

The Baptist Orphanage.
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Board of Ministerial Education.
Mississippi Baptist Historical Society.

Due to the complications under incorrect rendering of the names, the Southwide Foundation Department, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, is suggesting that this certified list be publicized to the maximum.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the thirty-third annual session of the Scott County Association. It was held with the Pulaski Church on October 22-23, 1953. The next sessions will be held with Forest, Branch, and Morton in the fall of 1954. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

DR. JAMES CHASTAIN DIES AT AGE 100

Dr. James Garvin Chastain, 100-year-old retired Baptist missionary died at 2 a.m. Saturday at the home of a son, near Richton.

He was retired 24 years ago; but since then he had written four books, two in English and two in Spanish, and helped establish a church for Spanish-speaking people in New Orleans.

During his 40-year career as active missionary, Dr. Chastain spent 30 years in Mexico, three in Cuba, and seven in a Spanish colony in southern Florida.

He went to Mexico as a missionary in 1888. During his three decades there he figured prominently in establishment of a number of mission schools.

Dr. Chastain left Mexico during the 1918 revolution. He told a reporter who interviewed him on his 100th birthday last Dec. 18 that he and other missionaries were called out of the country by the mission board because of the dangers.

He was born in 1853 in Itawamba County, Miss., and graduated from Mississippi College as valedictorian in 1883. He received his master of theology degree from Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., in 1888, the year he went to Mexico.

Dr. Judson Chastain, the son with whom Dr. Chastain lived, is pastor of Brewer Church near Richton and a member of the faculty of Mississippi Woman's College, a Baptist school at nearby Hattiesburg.

Another son, James Garvin Jr., was superintendent of schools in Jackson, Miss., when he died some years ago.

Other survivors are two daughters, Miss Regina Chastain of Southern Seminary at Buena Vista, Va., and Mrs. Effie Chastain Naylor, employed by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington.

Funeral services were held in Mississippi College auditorium at 11 a.m. Monday, with Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of the college, officiating assisted by Dr. A. A. Kitchings and Dr. Hendon Harris. Pallbearers were Mississippi College students selected by college officials.

The younger Dr. Chastain said his father made the arrangements years ago.

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Report Chinese Communists Demolishing Churches

HONG KONG (RNS) — Reports reaching here said Chinese Communists had started to demolish all Christian churches in Kwangtung Province.

A Communist account said the churches were being torn down "brick by brick... providing me-

morial tablets for our heroes of the Korean War."

Demolition began late last year, the report added, and three churches already have been destroyed. Members of these churches, it said, have been imprisoned.

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The Offering in Mississippi has already gone to \$145,819.53 through February 16. We will remember that we set our goal at \$150,000 this time.

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Forest Hill	24.60

Jackson—

Alta Woods	318.63
Broadmoor	225.00
Calvary	2049.27
Crestwood	177.52
Daniel	956.14
Emmanuel	61.21
First	4543.00
Griffith	352.22
Highland	62.05
Leavell Woods	40.83
Midway	77.43
Northside	1588.68
Parkway	940.81
Ridgecrest	417.67
Robinson Street	159.26
Southside	90.83
Van Winkle	73.62
West Jackson	91.50
West View	138.28
New Haven	5.75
Pocahontas	67.00
Raymond	774.87
Salem	32.25
Terry	144.06
Utica	158.50

DISTRICT I

Molmes—	
Cruger	52.00
Durant	226.75
Goodman	139.25
Lexington	116.58
Mount Pleasant	8.50
Pickens	121.33
Tchula	100.00
West	32.30
Madison—	
Canton, First	1068.70
Center Terrace	48.06
Farmhaven	92.74
Flora	392.65
Lone Pine	8.00
Lulu	41.00
Madison	142.50

Ridgeland	25.00
Franklin	10.60

DISTRICT I

Rankin—	
Antioch	40.00
Brandon	233.37
Brian Hill	62.40
Clean Branch	16.10
County Line	13.75
East Side	49.50
Hickory Ridge	7.30
Leesburg	175.84
Liberty	26.50
Mount Pisgah	213.50
Mountain Creek	67.25
Oakdale	48.54
Paul Truett	112.65
Flowood	25.00
Pearson	13.33
Pelahatchie	252.60
Puckett	559.00
Rehobeth	14.31
Richland	28.30
Star	100.00
Steens Creek	488.42
Value	25.58
Rock Hill	40.60
Dry Creek	39.62
Johns	11.80
Cato	18.75
Barefoot Springs	4.00
Cross Roads	28.45

DISTRICT I

Simpson—	
Bethlehem	20.00
Beulah	9.75
Braxton	88.69
Coat	7.50
D'Lo	25.00
Goodwater	15.00
Gum Springs	5.00
Harrisville	54.65
Holly Grove	5.00
Mahee	389.35
Mendenhall	315.00
Mount Zion	132.00
New Hope	8.00
Oak Grove	5.00
Palestine	10.00
Pinola	40.00
Pleasant Hill	51.60
Siloam	15.00
Stonewall	105.00
Poplar Springs	12.50

DISTRICT I

Warren—	
Grace	7.15
Harmony	5.25
Vicksburg—	
Bowmar Ave.	200.79
Calvary	19.05
Immanuel	81.64
Northside	13.50
Trinity	29.45
First	1070.08
Wayside	14.00
Woodlawn	27.36

Yazoo—

Anding	13.55
Bentonia	106.72
Bethlehem	24.75
Black Jack	132.57
Center Ridge	51.20
Concord	19.55
Eden	19.00
Hebron	17.75
Holly Bluff	78.50
Oak Grove	4.82
Ogden	19.25
Oil City	18.50
Satartia	50.75
Short Creek	4.60
Tinsley	17.47
Yazoo City—	
Calvary	188.53

First	1200.00
Grace	4.00
Liverpool	25.00
Melrose	15.00

DISTRICT II

Bolivar—

Benoit	95.00
Boyle	267.86
Calvary	56.91
Cleveland	600.00
Duncan	100.05
Gunnison	29.37
Interstate	27.66
Merigold	83.20
Morrison Chapel	41.30
Nyland Chapel	3.45
Providence	23.00
Rosedale	150.37
Shaw	208.00
Shelby	207.88
Skene	48.85
Belzoni, First	1172.34
Beulah	14.00
Isola	11.00
Louise	11.35

DISTRICT II

Lefflore—

Greenwood, First	2164.61
Calvary	47.01
Itta Bena	500.00
Money (Riverside)	70.00
Morgan City	100.00
Mount Vernon	6.00
Schlater	32.00
Sidon	116.44

Riverside—

Belen	40.00
Birdie	3.00
Clarksdale, First	1000.00
Crowder	214.33
Darling	40.68
Dundee	33.00
Hollywood	12.00
oJnestown	90.30
Lambert	58.00
Lula	500.00
Lyon	171.64
Marks	365.90
Reynolds Memorial	28.00
Riverside	60.20
Sledge	33.07
Tunica	1295.47
Walnut	111.80
Fair Haven	16.00
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	241.19
West Marks	6.00

Sharkey-Issaquena—

Anguilla	132.00
Carey	3.40
Catchings	21.70
Rolling Fork	104.78
St. Bayou	5.46
Valley Park	15.00

Sunflower—

Bethany	30.00
Bethel	51.40
Blaine	15.00
Dockery	14.00
Drew	204.61
Fairview	27.85
Holly Grove	12.00
Indianola	470.00
Inverness	100.00
Linn	406.00
Moorhead	138.21
New Hope	22.75
Rome	36.10
Roundaway	32.06
Ruleville	382.40
Sunflower	144.55
Wade	18.10
Calvary Mission	2.00

Washington—

Arcola	123.40
Alexander Memorial	15.55
Darlove	45.80
Glen Allan	51.00
Greenville, First	1040.84
Second	248.12
Calvary	116.54
Immanuel	3.00

Charleston Staff Worker



MISS LAURA CAIDEN

Miss Laura Caiden of Natchez has accepted the post of director of music and education at the First Church, Charleston, Rev. Landrum Leavell, pastor.

She is a graduate of Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans. While there she was a member of the B. S. U. council for four years, the Glee Club, A Cappella Choir, and a member of Who's Who in American universities and colleges.

During the summer of 1952 Miss Caiden served as a summer missionary in the B. S. U. program in New Mexico. For the past two years she has taught music privately and in the public school system of Mobile, Ala.

Parkview	804.75
Hollandale	455.78
Leland, First	900.00
Second	80.00
Swiftwater	17.65

DISTRICT III

Calhoun—

Banner	20.00
Bethel	114.00
Big Creek	12.75
Bruce	135.28
Calhoun City	306.95
Calvary	6.00
College Hill	35.00
Derma	40.00
Pittsboro	25.00
Poplar Springs	4.00
Sabougla	100.00
Shiloh	46.25
Slate Springs (Bethany)	100.00
Vardaman	140.45

Carroll—

Carrollton	58.96
McCarley	8.00
Mount Pisgah	12.00
North Carrollton	189.35
Vaiden	20.00

DeSoto—

Ebenezer	15.00
Gray's Creek	10.00
Hernando	305.24
Horn Lake	61.56
Macedonia	10.00
New Prospect	11.88
Olive Branch	125.00
Pleasant Hill	35.00

Grenada—

Emmanuel	37.00
Grenada, First	755.30
Hardy	14.22
Hebron	16.71
Pleasant Grove	12.22
Providence	22.50

Lafayette—

Abbeville	42.50
Anchor	22.00
Oxford, First	487.61

North	30.06
Philadelphia	13.50
Prospect	51.50
Taylor	5.50
Union West	7.50
Yellow Leaf	82.00
Clear Creek	21.00

Marshall—

Byhalia	471.19
Coldwater	2.60
Holly Springs	1388.12
Potts Camp	9.41
Red Banks (Pleas. Grove)	11.00
Slayden	70.01
Spring Hill	8.00
Mount Moriah	20.00

Montgomery—

Duck Hill	77.95
Kilmichael	55.00
Milligan Springs	35.00
Scotland	10.60
Winona	343.14

Panola—

Batesville, First	856.81
Calvary	40.04
Como	188.90
Courtland	9.75
Crenshaw	108.00
Enon	12.72
Good Hope	67.32
Hebron	25.00
Liberty Hill	20.20
McIvor	45.00
Peach Creek	64.36
Pilgrim's Rest	19.50
Pope	24.00
Sardis	212.97
Union Church	7.00

Tallahatchie—

Cassella	6.90
Charleston	451.00
Cowart	91.35
Paynes	53.62
Phillipp	15.00
Sumner	214.50
Tutwiler	331.41
Webb	100.35

Tate—

Arkabutla	36.45
Central (Coldwater)	366.07
Evansville	38.24
Flag Lake	6.00
Hickory Grove	13.60
Loxahoma	45.00
Mount Zion	132.78
New Hope	14.00
Senatobia	211.12
Strayhorn	7.00
Wayatte	28.57

Yalobusha—

Big Springs	5.15
Coffeeville	86.87
Oakland	23.05

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Water Valley 281.35
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DISTRICT IV

Alcorn—

Corinth, First 271.00
East 6.75
Tate Street 58.97
South Corinth 10.25
West 68.57
Hinkle Creek 30.50
Holly 14.00
Kossuth 20.00
Rieazi 11.00
Tishomingo Chapel 4.80
Shiloh 76.21
Bethlehem 10.00

Benton—

Ashland 75.00
Hickory Flat 100.00

Chickasaw—

Amity 5.30
Bethel 44.00
Houlka 56.93
Houston 185.60
Mt. Olive Community 12.65
Okolona 327.85
Union Chapel 61.00
Van Vleet 12.28
Woodland 30.00

Itawamba—

Evergreen 14.00
Fulton (Trinity) 53.05

Lee—

Auburn 82.15
Belden 25.62
Bisell 18.02
Camp Creek 6.25
Guntown 34.90
Nettleton 163.87
Plantersville 130.60
Priceville 11.35
Richmond 25.00
Saltville 406.88
Shannon 67.61
Sherman 202.62
Tupelo, First 402.44
Second 17.00
Calvary 4049.22
East 50.00
Harrisburg 230.00
Parkway 100.00
Vernona 71.50

Monroe—

Aberdeen 725.00
Amory 321.44
Becker 30.00
Calvary 9.00
Central Grove 15.00
New Prospect 31.25
Smithville 10.03
Pontotoc—
Bellevue 5.60
Carey Springs 5.00
Cherry Creek 90.70
Ecru 105.00
Emmanuel 15.28
Endville 22.75
Friendship 36.00
Furrs 23.50
Harmony 4.40
Longview 23.55
Pontotoc, First 1509.85
West Heights 80.02

Randolph 28.75
Thaxton 9.50
Toxish 78.58
Woodland 7.34
Zion 111.00
Liberty 31.75

Prentiss—

Baldwyn 192.96
Booneville 382.00
Fairview 53.50
Wheeler 36.00
Thrasher 6.00

Tippah—

Blue Mountain 1259.38
Chalybeate 302.10
Harmony 39.00
Palmer 4.75
Ripley 202.72
Tiplersville 1.00
Walnut 103.13
Providence 57.08
Mount Moriah 11.00

Tishomingo—

Belmont 13.53
Burnsville 18.80
Iuka 103.93
New Prospect 33.68
Paden 14.00
Tishomingo, First 7.65
South Cross Road 4.00

Union—

Center 19.00
Glenfield 10.00
Ingomar 72.53
Myrtle 168.81
Myrtle-Temple 26.00
Wallerville 28.00
Neely Memorial 4.25
New Albany 1600.00
New Prospect 22.00
Jericho 9.25

DISTRICT V

Attala—

Bear Creek 13.25
County Line 5.80
Ethel 54.00
Hurricane 104.00
Kosciusko, First 1505.00
Second 39.95
McAdams 230.50
McCool 16.00
Pilgrim's Rest 3.00
Sallis 85.50
Springdale 30.75
Unity 12.00
Williamsville 54.20
Carson Ridge 9.00

Choctaw—

Ackerman 233.90
Concord 84.10
Fellowship 19.00
French Camp 27.50
Weir 30.00
Fentress 16.50

Clay—

Pheba 30.00
West Point, First 3156.37
West End 11.70
Calvary 41.60
Siloam 20.40

Lowndes—

Antioch 10.00
Artesia 10.00
Border Springs 65.40
Columbus, First 1390.42
Calvary 210.82

East End 78.00
Plymouth Street 39.09
South Side 75.00
Mount Vernon 19.10
Mount Zion 31.68
New Salem 36.00
Pleasant Hill 9.00

Noxubee—

Brooksville 162.25
Concord 65.60
Deerbrook 11.00
Elon 10.00
Macon 406.61
Mashulaville 17.25
Shuqualak 92.00

Okfuskee—

Adaton 22.00
Bethesda 57.27
Center Grove 30.00
Double Springs 76.32
Longview 28.80
Maben 136.48
Morgan Chapel 27.00
Self Creek 109.00
Starkville 1665.77
Sturgis 54.86

Winston—

Calvary 91.90
Ellison Ridge 13.25
Evergreen 109.57
Liberty 32.50
Louisville, First 341.15
East 20.43
South 17.00
Macedonia 6.00
Murphy Creek 81.58
Noxapater 1221.00
Yellow Creek 10.15
Union Ridge 15.35
Singleton 4.20

Zion—

Eupora 313.57
Fellowship 20.35
Mantee 50.00
Mathiston 39.81
Philadelphia 11.85
Pilgrim's Rest 16.40
Walthall 15.65
Mount Vernon 6.36

DISTRICT VI

Clarke—

Rolling Creek 4.15
Center Ridge 6.55
DeSota 17.00
Enterprise 70.34
Harmony 28.65
Mount Rose 65.00
Oak Grove 12.80
Pachuta 50.00
Pine Hill 8.00
Pleasant Hill 23.77
Quitman 343.74
Shubuta 107.30
Stonewall 78.37
Union 131.70
Pine Grove 24.00

Jasper—

Bay Springs 971.53
Edon (Soso) 22.00
Fellowship 16.50
Heidelberg 41.00
Loun 27.00
Montrose 30.00
Mossville 50.00
New Fellowship 56.30
Pine Grove 33.00
Shady Grove 46.86
Stringer 18.00
New Concord 50.00

Kemper—

Blackwater 35.55
Center Ridge 6.50
De Kalb 40.00
Salem 8.00
Scoba 39.85

Lauderdale—

Arkadelphia 14.60
Bethany 11.58
Carmel 18.85
Caseyville 12.58
Collinsville 13.25

Daleville 16.00
Hickory Grove 11.00
Kewanee 189.00
Long Creek 20.30
Macedonia 30.00
Marion 30.90
Meridian, First 3570.46
8th Avenue 80.01
15th Avenue 1359.49
41st Avenue 317.50
Eastview 272.52
Grandview 10.05
Highland 297.05
KeyK Field 25.23
Oakland Heights 486.00
Poplar Springs 1483.99
South Side 282.97
State Blvd. 50.82
Midway 165.00
Mount Horeb 5.00
Mount Olive 7.00
Mount Vernon 32.60
New Hope 36.22
Oak Grove 49.50
Pine Grove 5.00
Russell 45.00
Toomsaba 18.25
Hebron 19.65
Mount Gilead 23.45
Good Water 25.00

Leake—

Carthage 500.00
Freeny 20.00
Friendship (Lena) 99.55
Standing Pine 12.00
Thomastown 35.00
Tuscola 127.32
Walnut Grove 57.00
Mount Carmel 14.30

Neshoba—

Bond 10.00
Cold Water 39.10
Deemer 11.00
Hope 19.58
Laurel Hill 4.00
Mount Nelson 43.40
Neshoba 62.72
Philadelphia, First 412.20
East 26.83
Sardis 39.00
Spring Creek 18.05
New Bethel 4.75
Pearl Valley 25.00

New Choctaw—

Hopewell 9.50
Macedonia 6.99
Canaan 3.00
Bethany 9.82

Newton—

Bethel 27.10
Chunkey 50.00
Decatur 164.93
Duffee 11.76
Hickory 167.85
Liberty 9.00
Midway 23.50
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New Ireland 4.65
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Sand Ridge 8.00
Springfield 7.95
Homewood 13.09
Two Mile 3.00
Cash 8.00
Forest 1340.24
Forkville (Bethlehem) 107.10
Harperville 34.75
Hillsboro 13.00
Jerusalem (Ludlow) 114.74
Lake 61.00
Liberty 14.96
Morton 124.46
Pulaski 20.50
Ridge 14.00
Branch 32.45
Clifton 6.00

Smith—

Sunday School Speaker



DR. J. L. CORZINE

Dr. J. L. Corzine, state Sunday School secretary of South Carolina, will be one of the featured speakers when the three state Sunday School conventions are held March 9-10-11.

Dr. Corzine will speak each morning on "The Peerless Teacher in Action", and his topic for the afternoon sessions will be "Jesus More Than Master Teacher".

The three conventions will meet as follows: Tuesday, First Church, Cleveland; Wednesday, First Church, Yazoo City; and Thursday, First Church, Natchez.

The meetings will be sponsored by the State Sunday School Department, Dr. E. C. Williams, secretary.

Beulah 72.14
Burns 6.45
Good Water 16.50
Lorena 10.00
Raleigh 250.00
Sardis 4.70
Sylvarena 24.00
Taylorsville 200.00
Ted 3.00
White Oak 45.20
Clear Springs 2.58

DISTRICT VII

Covington—
Cold Springs 10.00
Collins 507.00
Mount Horeb 9.25
Mount Olive 51.00
New Hope 15.81
Ora 10.00
Salem 205.82
Sanford 25.50
Seminary 22.00
Williamsburg 7.00
Willow Grove 11.91

George—
Agricola 77.25
Barton 48.00
Lucedale 575.19
Rocky Creek 144.04

Greene—
Cedar Grove 34.47
Leakesville 75.55
McLain 68.10
Pine Leavelle 13.65
Unity 12.50

Gulf Coast—
Bay St. Louis 117.25
Big Ridge 28.28
Biloxi, First 673.21
Trinity 202.00
Gulfport, First 1533.75
Calvary Mission 5.54
East Side 82.31
Bowen Mem. (Fernwood) 15.00
Grace Memorial 47.50
Hardsboro 56.50

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McHenry	9.00	Hattiesburg, First	595.48
New Hope	39.33	Bowie Street	4.00
Pass Christian	125.00	Central	20.29
Riverside	7.45	Immanuel	508.35
Wool Market	6.50	Main Street	728.02
East Howard	67.79	River Avenue	5.85
Perkinston	59.78	Temple (5th) Ave.	664.72
Jackson—		19th Avenue	60.00
Bellefontaine	48.50	28th Avenue	15.00
Escatawpa	51.00	38th Avenue	45.90
Friendship	15.00	Irene Chapel	15.26
Gautier	104.62	Lumberton	230.00
Kreole	16.15	McLaurin	40.50
Moss Point, First	469.92	Macedonia	31.50
East	142.58	Petal, First	8.06
Ocean Springs	100.00	Harvey	300.00
Pascagoula, First	965.07	Temple	37.04
Calvary	100.00	Providence	72.50
East	76.62	Purvis	405.00
East Side	18.48	Rawls Springs	25.00
Riverside	55.00	Wiggins	421.25
Unity	5.00	Zion Hill	54.12
Vancleave	10.00	M. So. YWA	18.25
Wade	4.75	Woman's College YWA	1172.91
Jackson Avenue	17.07	Southside, Hattiesburg	54.50
MacArthur Chapel	2.50	Pearl River—	
Orange Grove Chapel	34.55	Bethel	60.00
Immanuel	21.30	Carrier	101.56
Jones—		Corinth	81.00
Bethlehem	60.00	Goodyear	20.00
Ellisville, First	115.30	Harmony	41.02
Calvary	15.00	Juniper Grove	111.35
West	4.20	McNeil	5.00
Fairfield	10.00	New Palestine	82.05
Fellowship	20.51	Nicholson	79.20
Gitano	7.00	Oak Hill	35.00
Glade	10.00	Ozona	8.00
Harmony	47.80	Pikayune	1335.90
Hebron	8.25	Pine Grove	85.00
Laurel, First	2972.66	Poplarville, First	341.00
Beacon	45.92	West	10.00
Eastview	284.00	Roseland Park	33.84
Highland	319.83	Santa Rosa	86.25
Joe Wheeler	11.65	Springhill	20.30
Second Avenue	516.28	West Union	12.57
South	23.75	Pearl Riv. Col. YWA	22.50
West	181.85	Perry—	
Wildwood	24.36	Beaumont	120.00
Moselle	12.00	Brewer	53.11
Myrich, Beulah	36.00	Indian Springs	8.15
Freedom	10.00	Janice	20.40
Ovett	50.00	New Augusta	68.31
Pecan Grove	3.25	Richton	243.33
Pine Grove	77.50	Runnelstown	5.65
Pleasant Home	10.00	Seminary	5.00
Sandersville	30.75	Prospect	8.35
Sharon	44.83	Wayne—	
Soso	19.16	Big Creek	10.00
Summerland	166.05	Bucatanua	80.71
Tucker's Crossing	10.02	Clara	40.09
Bethel	15.00	Clear Creek	6.00
Hillcrest	3.71	Evergreen	32.00
Sandhill	2.50	Mt. Zion	36.37
Lamar—		Pleasant Grove	15.00
Bellevue	57.77	State Line	51.00
Military	10.45	Waynesboro, First	66.50
Oloh	30.00	Calvary	34.30
Oral	46.50	DISTRICT VIII	
Sumrall	58.84	Franklin—	
Richburg	7.00	Bude	150.00
Lebanon—		Concord	100.00
Big Level	8.50	Hopewell	28.54
Brooklyn	100.00	Lucien	26.00
Cartersville	10.30	Meadville	167.06
		Mt. Zion	50.00
		New Salem	16.00
		Ozian	15.00
		Providence	35.00
		Quentin	10.00
		Roxie	91.00
		Siloam	27.10
		Eddiceton	9.60
		Jeff Davis—	
		Antioch	22.30
		Bassfield	45.06
		Calvary (Oak Vale)	10.00
		Carson	36.50
		Dublin	11.20

Pearl Church Has Ground-Breaking Ceremony



Pearl Church in Rankin County had a ground-breaking ceremony Sunday, February 14. The church has been meeting in a tent, but construction on a building is now under way.

Ground was broken as the first unit of the educational building was begun. This unit will contain an auditorium, an assembly room, and eight class rooms. There will be two other units of the educational building and later the main auditorium of the church will be constructed.

Shown above from left to right are: C. C. Poorch, and C. E. Hemphill, deacons; Rev. H. B. Speights, pastor; Fred Holman, deacon; G. G. Poorch, deacon; Johnnie Varner, deacon; and Cecil Jones, Chairman of the Building Committee.

Ebenezer	29.50	Improve	90.75	West Side	366.08
Hathorn	41.00	Kokomo	16.00	Pleasant Hill	14.90
Hebron	65.10	New Hope	29.61	Port Gibson	268.15
Hepzibah	33.20	Pine Burr	25.00	Redlick	17.35
Oak Grove	30.56	Spring Cottage	11.00	Springfield Chapel	25.00
Phalti	52.75	Holly Springs	36.00	Union Church	40.00
Prentiss	1220.05	South Columbia Mission	28.15	Unity	14.00
Society Hill	55.60	Mississippi—		Washington	35.71
White Sand	157.00	Bethel	15.00	Friendship	16.00
Lawrence—		Calvary	71.00	Beach Grove	14.64
Antioch	25.00	Centerville	217.50	Waltham—	
Calvary	88.12	Crosby	140.00	Centerville	6.51
Crooked Creek	41.15	East Fork	54.81	Crystal Springs	62.05
Jayess	10.00	Gillsburg	100.00	Dinan	47.10
Monticello	128.50	Glading	5.50	Enon	26.60
New Hebron	250.00	Gloster	497.11	Mesa	26.00
New Hope	17.36	Hebron	12.00	New Zion	78.00
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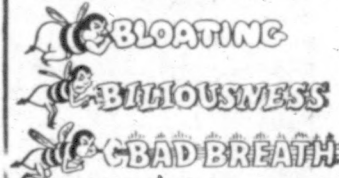
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MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEEDS HELP

Since January 1st, the mailing list of the Music Department has been in the process of complete revision. Reports have come to the Music Office from many of the Associational Directors listing all choir directors, song leaders, organists, and pianists. However, many of the associations have not reported up to this date.

We feel it is very important to have every choir director, song leader, organist, and pianist on our mailing list, and therefore, this request for help. If you are not sure that you are on the mailing list of the Music Department, please drop a card to us immediately giving your name and address and listing whether you are choir director, song leader, organist, or pianist, and we will be happy to place your name on the list. Don't fail to do this immediately, so you will receive the first mailing of materials from our office for 1954.

ASSOCIATIONAL HYMN SING REPORTS

Many fine reports are coming to our attention on the hymn sing attendance and marvelous spirit of the people. The Music Department is anxious to receive a report of every hymn sing. Self-addressed, stamped post cards are available in our office to associ-

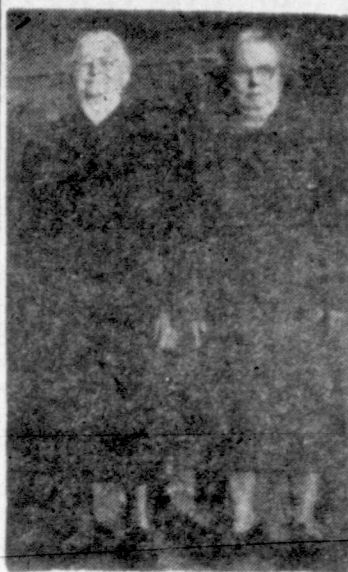
tional directors and secretaries for this report. If you do not have a supply write the Music Department.

Below is the listing of all the associations having made at least one report since last November 1st.

Atlanta — Bill Nason, Director, Clarke-Miss Gordy Hughes, Director, Lebanon-H. M. Blakney, Director, Mississippi—M. E. Causey, Director, Lawrence—E. V. Catt, Director, Tishomingo—Rev. J. W. Kitchens, Director, Pontotoc—Truett Mounce, Director, Marshall—Mrs. M. L. Cox, Director, Pearl River—Rev. Franklin Atkinson, Director.

To our knowledge, this represents less than half of the associations holding hymn sings which mean at least the above number of associations have not reported, since November 1st. This report is very important, especially since it gives a true picture of the interest in work going on in the associations and enables us to better plan help in the associations that need it most. The card can be filled out during the hymn sing while recognitions are being made. Therefore, we are asking every association to please make this report immediately following each hymn sing.

Make Good Records



MRS. KATE MERRITT

Mrs. Kate Merritt (left) 86, has attended Sunday School for more than two years missing only one Sunday. Her daughter, Miss Ruth, has attended the same period of time without missing a single time. Grandmother Merritt is the grandmother of John W. Merritt and Mrs. Cora Joyce Davis, missionary to Nigeria, Africa. They are members of the Macedonia Church, Lebanon Association. Rev. Earl Brooks is pastor.

—BR—
Earl McLeod of Lucedale, sophomore at Mississippi College, will be the interim director of music at First Church, Yazoo City. Dr. W. C. Fields is the pastor.

Man Of Distinction

We doubt that the liquor crowd will nominate the young man mentioned below for their Man of Distinction Ads.

A young father Thursday confessed trussing up and raping a woman employed at Midway airport near the airport Dec. 19.

The victim was Mrs. Anne Mariette Berndt, 41, who was found murdered a few hours after getting off a plane.

He also has confessed attempting to rape, at gun-point, two 16-year old South Side girls last week.

The youth said he had drunk whiskey the day of the attack, had been unsuccessful in an attempt to pick up a girl on the street and had finally gone to the airport on a bus—The Chicago Daily News.

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Leake County Pastors Reorganize Conference

The Baptist pastors of Leake county met with Carthage Baptist Church February 13, and reorganized their pastor's conference. Rev. Leroy Callahan, pastor of Midway and Mars Hill was chosen president.

Meetings will be held at 10 a. m. on Monday after the first Sunday of each month.

The March meeting will be held at the Walnut Grove Church.

Commie Paul Massey, son of Deacon C. V. Massey, has surrendered to the call to the Ministry and has been licensed to preach by the Macedonia Church in Lebanon Association. Rev. Earl Brooks is pastor.

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Each lesson is divided into two sections—the life-story of an outstanding Baptist, followed by the discussion of a Baptist doctrine with which this man had some intimate connection through experience or writing.—Neta Stewart.

NOXUBEE ASSOCIATION HAS MASS MEETING

Under the leadership of Mr. Edwin VanKanel the newly elected associational Training Union director, Noxubee County Association held a mass meeting on January 31 at First Baptist Church of Macon for the purpose of completing the organization and establishing a program of work for the year to come.

Participating on the program were Mr. R. S. McCrory, the choir from Shuqualak Church under the direction of Mrs. James Peters and a duet from Deer Brook Church.

There are seven churches in Noxubee County which have Training Union work. All seven of the Training Union directors were present among the fifty-seven people who attended the meeting. Four pastors of the association were also present.

STANDARD UNIONS

Macedonia Church, Lincoln Association. Young People's Union, Miss Lou Mertia Allen, president. Young People's Department, Mrs. A. W. Talbert, Department Director.

Coffeeville Church, Yalobusha Association. Junior Union, Mrs. J. O. Ellett, Leader.

Parkway Church, Jackson, Hinds Association. Fellowship Union, Adult, Mr. C. A. Smith, president. Adult Department No. III, Mr. J. B. Reynolds, Director of Adult Department.

New Haven Church, Hinds Association. "Go Getters," Young People's Union, Miss Mattie Hynum, president. "Faithful Followers," Intermediate Union, Mrs. J. T. McClelland, Leader. A Standard Training Union in New Haven Church this past quarter.

Ridgecrest Church, Jackson, Hinds Association. Beginner Department, Mrs. Enid L. King, Department Leader.

Edon Church, Jasper Association. Intermediate Union, Mrs. W. G. Kelly, Leader.

East McComb Church, Pike Association. "Best Yet," Junior Union, Mrs. Eddie May.

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Evangelism Director Gives Points On Director Of Simultaneous Revivals

By C. E. WILBANKS

The director of a simultaneous revivals crusade is a most important person. He should be selected as soon as the date is set and the preachers invited to serve as evangelists. It is wise to select a man from outside the association who is coming to preach during the crusade.

There are some vital matters to keep in mind in selecting the crusade director.

FIRST: He must be an able preacher. He must address the preachers in fellowship meetings during the revivals.

SECOND: He must know and follow the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism. Believe it or not, we still have plenty of preachers who give evidence of not knowing or neglecting this program. The director must not be such a man.

THIRD: He should visit the association prior to the opening date of the revivals, and lay plans with the steering committee and pastors.

FOURTH: He must be able to lead preachers. To do this, he must love preachers better than his own life, know what to do, how to do it and when. He is to lead the fellowship meetings, with the chairman of evangelism presiding. He is to lead other men to address the workers. He must be able to lead preachers.

FIFTH: He should be the preacher in your most fertile church field for evangelism. If he has no prospects, he might be discouraged.

Has your steering committee and executive board elected your director for your 1954 simultaneous revivals? Has your director for 1955 been elected? Make sure at the earliest possible moment. Then notify him of your actions and invite him to visit your association for planning together.

Oh, yes, it costs money to travel, and this trip should be financed as part of associational expense of the crusade.

—BR—

Calvary Church in Bolivar Association is making good progress in the construction of its new Auditorium.

Evan Williams New Pastor At Riverside



REV. EVAN WILLIAMS

Rev. Evan Williams, of Newton is the new pastor of the Riverside Church at Money. He accepted the call in early January and has moved to the field.

A graduate of Mississippi College, Clinton, Rev. Mr. Williams also attended Clarke College, Newton, and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

Previous pastorates held by him were East Philadelphia Church, Mt. Morgan Church, Terry, and John's Church, John.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Ann Brown, of Oklahoma City. They have two children, Joe Hayden, eight, and Mary Elizabeth, four.

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50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 YEARS AGO—

Pastor Homer H. Webb tells of his last year's work in Franklin County with the Union, Knoxville and Roxie churches. That with the Union church was most outstanding, their gifts going 125% beyond those of 1903. For a Christmas offering they packed a box for the preacher boys at Mississippi College.

Pastor W. F. Yarborough reviews his five year pastorate with the First Church, Jackson, which had grown in membership from 359 to 409; and the gifts to benevolences the past year, 1903, were \$2,485, and for home expenses, including pastor's salary, \$4,000.

The Utica Church has let the contract for their new pastor's home to cost "nearly \$2,000."

40 YEARS AGO—

Superintendent Bryan Simmons of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital gives some very interesting "Hospital Notes" of the progress of the new building, including two pictures of the foundation.

Miss Ella Godbold of the Mars Hill Church, Amite County, sends \$3.25 to pay the postage of the Baptist Record to three of our foreign missionaries. This is contributed by the W. M. U. of her church.

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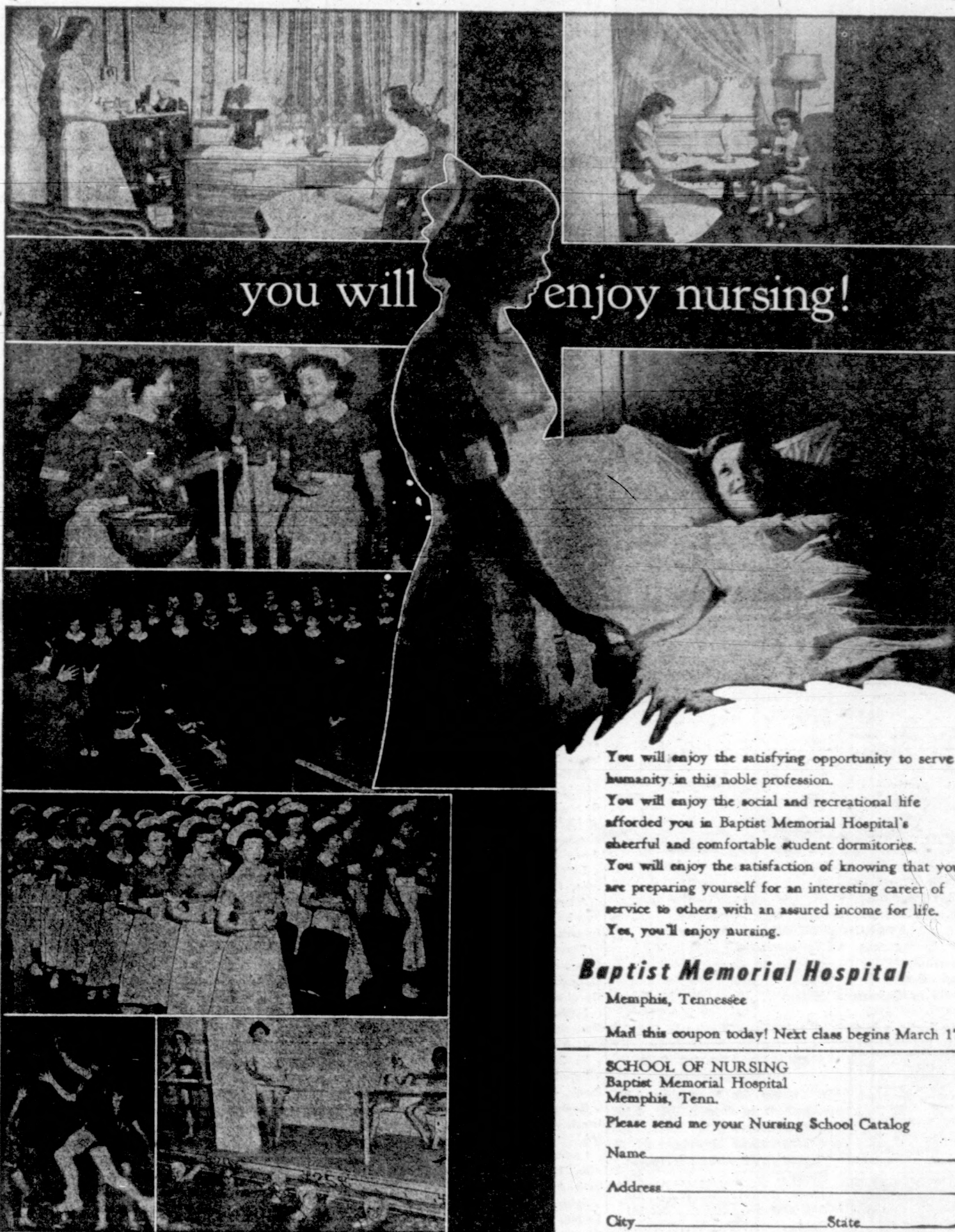
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Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will speak each evening of our three Sunday School Conventions, using the subject, "Spiritual Implications in Gaining A Million." We are indeed happy that our fine and efficient secretary is sharing his time with us in this manner and we know that he will make a greater contribution to our work as he shall speak to the many Sunday school workers over the state who attend these conventions.

Mr. Gainer E. Bryan, Jr., associate director of the Sunday School Builder, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will direct the Young People's Conferences at our three Sunday School Conventions, March 9-11, in Cleveland, Yazoo City, and Natchez. For a good number of years this capable servant of Southern Baptists has been most helpful in directing the work of Young People, and we earnestly urge these workers in our state to be sure and make plans to attend one of these Conventions.

REMEMBER THE TIME — AND THE PLACES

The time of our three Sunday School Conventions: Tuesday, March 9; Wednesday, March 10; Thursday, March 11.
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PROGRAM OF CONVENTIONS

MORNING SESSION

9:45—Worship and Praise
10:00—Our Book Store Service Mrs. O. M. Jones
10:15—Building To Gain A Million W. A. Harrell
10:55—Music
11:00—The Peerless Teacher in Action J. L. Corzine
11:45—Announcements

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30—Worship and Praise
1:45—Jesus More Than Master Teacher J. L. Corzine
2:30—Presenting Conference Leaders
2:45—Department Conferences
4:30—Adjourn from Conference Rooms

EVENING SESSION

6:45—Department Conferences, as in afternoon
7:45—General Assembly
7:55—Worship and Praise
8:05—Fundamentals in Gaining a Million W. L. Howse
8:40—Music
8:45—Spiritual Implications in Gaining a Million—Chester L. Quarles

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Charles Robert Walker, Johnson City, Illinois, from Calvary, Harrodsburg, Kentucky.

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Earl Hauson, Pilot Knob, Summersfield, Missouri.

Wade Cochran, New Savannah, Blodgett, Missouri, from Unity, Benewton, Missouri.

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Thank you for the great services in Laurel, last Monday. We will be reaping the results of them throughout the year.

Yours in Christ,

DICK GWYN.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES REPORTED

SOUTH SIDE Brotherhood in Meridian has an enrollment of 76 and had an average attendance of 31 last month. There were 20 visits by men to the sick and needy; 42 invitations to men to attend church, Sunday School, etc.; 12 talks with unsaved men about accepting Christ; 9 tracts, Testaments, gospels distributed by men; 7 men talked with about tithing and giving; 1 service held by man in homes; 7 men making visits in interest of church and 120 man hours of work given. Reported by C. A. Seale, sec.

38th Avenue in Hattiesburg has an enrollment of 32 and held 4 meetings last month. They purchased a Bible for a patient at Whitfield, bought window lights for one of the missions, and gave money to help with the expenses of the R. A. Congress that is to be in Hattiesburg. Reported by Ople Braswell.

Beulah Brotherhood in Hinds county has an enrollment of 24 and held 4 meetings. They gave money to a ministerial student and are making plans to build a garage for the pastor's home. Reported by Ira Waldrop.

Bowie Street in Hattiesburg has an enrollment of 14 and held 4 meetings. They led services in homes of shut-ins, sat up nights at the funeral home with two members who passed away and raised money for an aged couple. Reported by J. W. Helms.

First Baptist in Noxubee Association has an enrollment of 53 and held 1 meeting. They held their regular meeting which was a supper meeting and invited the boys. There was an attendance of about 55 and the film "Dedicated Men" was shown. Reported by W. S. Clarke, president.

Utica Brotherhood has an enrollment of 33 and held 4 meetings. They continued their monthly visitation and took a study course on soul-winning. Sam Simmons, reporting.

Columbia's Primate Praises Order Restricting Protestant Activities

BOGOTA (RNS)—The Roman Catholic Primate of Colombia praised the government's new order forbidding Protestant religious and educational activity outside churches and chapels.

Crisanto Cardinal Luque, Archbishop of Bogota, wrote the Interior Ministry that the measure fulfilled the government's duty "to protect the religion of almost all Colombians."

The Ministry's ruling guaranteed the right of non-Catholics to worship in their chapels and churches, but forbade proselytizing or propagandizing outside them. It also prohibited all public missionary or education work by Protestant clergymen.

It defends Colombia's religious unity, "the nation's strongest bond," said the bishop. The Cardinal said the order would prevent religious conflicts and disturbances of public order, "which are caused by the propaganda of some Protestant sects, whereby these molest Catholics because of their religious belief."

Furthermore, the Primate declared, the measure "eliminates the pretext on which a wide sustained campaign of dishonor to the country is being carried out abroad as though there existed in it any religious persecution against Protestants."

Cardinal Luque expressed the hope that the government's new ruling might be embodied in Colombia's constitution, revision of which is now under way.

(Editor's Note: Such a law in the United States directed toward Catholics would not only seriously cripple their work but would bring howls about persecution.)

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Dublin Goes Full-Time



Dublin Church, Jefferson Davis Association, Rev. G. W. Horn, pastor, went from half-time to a full-time program beginning Feb. 7. The church has made continuous growth for over a year. The Sunday School enrollment has increased from 65 to 144 and the Training Union from 85 to 147. Plans are now under way for the addition of more educational space. The church has the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the thirty-eighth annual session of the Montgomery County Association. It was held with the Milligan Springs and Poplar Creek, Nations Churches October 19 and 20, 1953. The next sessions are to be held with Bethlehem and Winona Churches in October, 1954. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 21, 1954

Morton	270	126
Main Church	258	
Mission	12	
Jackson, Crestwood	636	451
Clinton	584	328
Jackson, South Side	352	148
Jackson, First	1468	508
Jackson, North Side	518	110
Jackson, Calvary	1414	370
Calvary Mission	84	42
Jackson, Van Winkle	446	200
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	634	265
Jackson, Broadmoor	400	175
Jackson, Parkway	1112	168
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	184	102
Richland (Rankin)	138	80
Sardis (Copiah)	93	51
Flowood	111	102
Byram (Rankin)	180	126
Crystal Springs, First	716	171
McComb, East	467	202
Jackson, Robinson St.	185	
Pearl (Rankin)	167	113
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	432	90
Laurel, Second Ave.	410	105
Laurel, West	426	143
Meridian, 41st Ave.	404	113
Hattiesburg, Main St.	934	390
Stonewall	152	106
Pascagoula, First	901	465
Main Church	718	374
Jackson Ave. Chapel	80	40
McArthur Chapel	64	31
Orange Grove Chapel	39	20
Cleveland, First	630	158
Main School	560	
Chinese Mission	50	
Shady Oak Mission	20	
Camp Ground (Yalobusha)	150	105
Picayune, First	603	145
New Sight (Lincoln)	151	92
Pelahatchie	197	76
Main Church	174	
Mission	23	
Petal-Harvey	374	150
Main Church	357	
Harvey	17	
Newton, First	517	253
Meridian, Highland	493	148
Calvary, West Point	250	147
Aberdeen, First	423	123
Lucedale	348	172
Chester (Choctaw)	91	38
McComb, Locust St.	79	54
Skene	150	66
Biloxi, Trinity	181	56
Brookhaven, First	847	340
Main Church	728	265
Southway Chapel	71	53
Halbert Heights Chapel	48	22
Friendship (Lincoln)	149	123
Brookhaven, Hamilton St.	125	88
Olive Branch	134	62
Corinth, Tate St.	284	83
Longview (Oktibbeha)	121	72
New Albany	639	163
Mission	72	
Moorhead	160	94
Louisville, First	500	168
Kosciusko, First	792	301
Laurel, Harmony	149	69
Laurel, Highland	195	94
Hebron (Grenada)	77	55
Hattiesburg, Temple	548	194
Columbus, First	964	370
Grenada, Emmanuel	283	116
Main Church	251	110
Furtherville Chapel	32	6
Grenada, First	620	150
Gulfport, Calvary	78	58
Taylorville	174	108
Gulfport, First	987	329
Bellefontaine (Jackson)	77	52
Bay St. Louis, First	142	63
Picayune, Roseland Park	147	74
Laurel, Wildwood	162	62
Bethlehem (Jones)	226	121
Vicksburg, First	642	186
Yazoo City, First	534	181
Columbus, East End	242	95
Laurel, First	610	183

Sparks & Splinters

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. H. H. Ward, Kosciusko; Rev. Paul W. Kolb, Batesville; Claude Lazenby, Courtland; Mrs. Sam Friedberg, Vicksburg; Mrs. L. M. Friedberg, Vicksburg; Sheryl Smith, Jackson; Mrs. Edgar Smith, Jackson; Dr. Merrill D. Moore, Nashville, Tennessee; J. W. East, Brandon; George R. Bailey, Moss Point.

Practically every state in the Southern Baptist Convention, including Ohio (not yet received into the Convention), reports record attendance at the state wide evangelistic conference held this year. Texas reported the largest number—12,500. The largest attendance per capita church was California, with more than 2,000 present from its 400 churches.

The need for relief clothing in Korea continues. It is distributed by the ton; and winter will bring need for much more. Send good, clean clothing—no high-heel shoes or ladies' hats—to Rev. Dan Ray, Box 35, Pusan, Korea. Do not send clothing through APO.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the one hundred and third session of the Leake County Association. It was held with Corinth Church on October 14 and 15, 1953. The Association will meet with the Standing Pine and Mars Hill Churches in 1954. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will preach at the First Church Meadville, March 7 at 11:00 a.m.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of subscriptions from Springdale Church in Attala County. The list was sent by Mrs. Nora Hughes.

BERLIN — (BP)—The German Evangelists' Conference voted to invite Billy Graham, evangelist, to include Germany in his forthcoming preaching tour to Europe. Graham is scheduled to open an evangelistic crusade in London, March 1, and to visit other European countries. German evangelists said they would like for him to speak in Duesseldorf and Berlin.

Columbus, Southside	151	87
Main Church	139	
Mission	12	
Friendship No. 2		
(Tallahatchie)	81	39
Hardy (Grenada)	92	77
Greenville, Second	546	190
McComb, Friendship	202	103
Ita Bena, First	235	87
Anchor (Lafayette)	60	
Hernando, First	184	105
Ruleville	286	134
Main Church	154	88
Calvary Mission	32	46
Yazoo City, Calvary	249	176
Clarksdale	372	65
Philadelphia, First	376	111
Concord (Choctaw)	88	98

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Gulfport, New Hope	94	30
Laurel, Hillcrest	81	70
Morton	314	122
Main Church	297	
Mission	17	
Lyon (Coahoma)	134	66
New Sight (Lincoln)	130	76
Meridian, Poplar Springs		
Drive	401	137
Ruth	117	109

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. W. M. Averett, Richton; Mrs. Frank Armstrong, Mathiston; Rev. Charlie Bryant, Hickory Flat; Rev. C. E. Snowden, Artesia; Mrs. J. S. Robbins, Ellisville; Rev. Bryan Simmons, Ellisville; Mr. and Mrs. W. P. West, Bovina; H. O. Davis, Jr., Memphis, Tennessee; Elven E. Fairchild, Jr., Laurel; Rev. John E. Schooler, D'lo; James D. Hayes, Durant; Harold Bunch Durant.

FORT WORTH, Tex. —(BP)—Wayne Evans, educational director, First Baptist Church, Abilene, Tex., was named business manager of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., recently. He succeeds D. A. Thornton, who died November 9.

A television workshop, co-sponsored by the Radio and Television Commission and Central Baptist Church of Pensacola, Florida, will be conducted in Pensacola Monday, March 8, 1954, it was announced today by the Rev. Paul Stevens, Commission director.

The March issue of the Baptist Student magazine, contains the following features by Mississippians or former Mississippians: an article "The Greatest of These Is Love" by Mrs. Sibyl Brame Townsend formerly of Blue Mountain College and Yazoo City who is now at the New Orleans Seminary; an article by Dr. A. Donald Bell of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, formerly of Mississippi College faculty, entitled "Do You?"; a two-page picture story of Mississippi Woman's College BSU activities, and a biographical sketch of Miss Joan Stockstill present BSU Director of Jones Junior College, Ellisville.

Rev. James Zeltner has been called as pastor of Oak Grove Church in Jefferson Davis County. Rev. S. J. Smith was the former pastor. The church has recently voted to go full-time. Mr. Zeltner is a student at New Orleans Seminary. He and his family will move on the field next summer.

First Church, Cleveland has recently begun an extensive local mission program with the reopening of the Shady Oak Mission which is being handled by the students from Delta State College under the direction of the Missions committee of the church. They have plans under way to begin one or two branch Sunday Schools in some needy areas of Cleveland. Dr. William Harry Clark is pastor.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the sixth annual meeting of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon—Washington. It was held at University Center Church in Seattle, Washington on October 26-29, 1953. The next meeting will be at Peninsula Church in Portland, Ore. on October 25-28, 1954. The attractively printed booklet includes the State W. M. U. report.

101 SELECT SERMON OUTLINES is a compact volume of select sermon outlines from the sermon masters, some of whom are Joseph S. Exell, Charles H. Spurgeon, F. B. Meyer, Charles I. Vaughan, Charles Simeon, Jabez Burns, T. DeWitt Talmadge, and Robert M. McCheyne. Valuable in sermon preparation, this book includes brief and extended outlines for sermons and addresses for regular worship services as well as for special occasions. Order for \$1.75 from the Baptist Book Store or from Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan. It is sixth in the "Minister's Handbook Series."

Oak Grove Church in Jefferson Davis County is planning a week-end revival for March 12, 13, 14. Dr. Ray Frank Robbins, professor at New Orleans Seminary, will do the preaching. Rev. James Zeltner is the pastor.

THE SHAPING OF THE MODERN MIND is the second half of IDEAS AND MEN, a history of western thought from classical times to the present. The author, Professor Crane Brinton, in this scholarly work examines Western thought, philosophy, and ideas since the Renaissance. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from The New American Library of World Literature, Inc., 501 Madison Ave., New York 22, New York, for 35 cents.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. Lincoln D. Newman, Lucedale; H. D. Ellis, Utica; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sullivan, Moss; Rev. G. H. Smith, Laurel; Mr. and Mrs. Shelley L. Mikell, Sr., Prentiss; Rev. Harold Jordan, Madison; Rev. H. B. Speights, Jackson.

"SEX IN CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH" (\$1.85) by Alfred Schmieding, is a very fine and Christian approach to the problems faced in the home, school and church in the sex life of children and young people. It does not attempt to answer all the questions, but gives an excellent source book of principles, which could be very vital for anyone working with this age group. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Mo.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: E. D. Hurst, Laurel; C. H. Winston, Pinnola; B. H. Van Dueden, Philadelphia; Henrietta Van Dueden, Philadelphia; Howard Fulton, Philadelphia; Mary Kathryn Black; Carol Ann Miller, Rolling Fork; Linda Pickle, Rolling Fork; Thelma J. Satterwhite, Rolling Fork.

New Hebron Pastor



REV. FRED E. ROBERTSON

Rev. Fred E. Robertson has accepted the pastorate of the Hebron Baptist Church in Jones county. Rev. and Mrs. Robertson are attending Mississippi College where he will graduate in May.

Rev. Robertson comes here from the Zebedee Church, Rayville, La., where he served as pastor for two years.

The Robertsons have two children, James, age four, and Sondra, age three.

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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Bible Lesson: John 10

I. THE RELATIONSHIP

To the word shepherd, our Lord here gives the meaning of the owner of the sheep. But the idea of ownership in this word is that of a love so deep that it engages the shepherd willingly to lay down his life for his sheep. This had been true for centuries among the shepherds of our Lord's native country.

You will remember that young David declared before the king that he had tended his sheep when a bear or a lion came to destroy them, and he had had no slightest thought of seeking safety for himself. He had just stood between his sheep and any harm to them. If one got lost he went and searched for it till he found it. There was no thought of turning back at any point until the sheep was safe.

And all this because of a love for the sheep. And on their part the sheep loved the shepherd with a perfect love. The sheep depended upon the shepherd for their every need.

II. HOW THE SHEPHERD ENTERS THE FOLD

Be sure to distinguish the fold and the flock. The fold was the enclosure where the flock was led to rest for the night. It was a yard or lot, walled in in some cases, perhaps in most cases by a wall of stone built so tall that a wolf or any other wild beast native to the country could not leap it, and with only one opening or gap in the wall, so that the sheep went in and out by the same door. Let the sheep be folded once and nobody must enter that fold except the shepherd. Sometimes more than one shepherd would fold their flocks in the same fold.

Any man who would enter the fold to lead any of the sheep out of it must first give proof to the porter at the entrance to the fold that he had a right inside the fold to lead sheep out of it. In lieu of such evidence "the porter" would not let any man into the fold. But when the true shepherd came, to whom the sheep belonged, "To him the porter openeth." In our Lord's figure here, I have often wondered whom the porter might be. Maybe it was stout-hearted John the Baptist. And the door? Has it a symbolic meaning? Could it be the prophetic foretellings of His coming that gem the pages of God's only word from Genesis 3:15 to the last gleaming verse of Malachi all the way? These thoughts intrigue me. If they be in the way of truth, what then?

The world waited for the coming of its Redeemer until "The fullness of time came", until all things were read in the providence of God. The path along which He was to advance had been prepared; the manner of His coming had been described. The hunger of the world for the bread of life, the thirst of men for the water of life, had become so agonizingly keen

that the mercy and love and grace of God, the Source of all sympathy, must respond to the world's sad cry for succor.

And then He came, begotten of the Holy Spirit, born of the tender virgin mother, housed and homed among the lowly that He might be the brother and in blood of the poor and wretched, and yet the glorious Son of the Living God. The Shepherd of the straying sheep. He came just as it was written of Him, to do the will of God on behalf of man. And as He walked among them, there were men with unveiled eyes to see and tender hearts to leap with joy as they realized in Him the fulfillment of the prophecies of their seers.

The Shepherd who answers God's description of the Ideal One, the Shepherd who leads His sheep aright and provides them abundantly of His bounty, the Shepherd who stills the bellowing storm and the roaring sea that His charges may have peace and find rest in His tender care, the Shepherd Who will lead His sheep through the valley of the shadow all the way into the pastures eternal of God.

III. "I AM THE DOOR . . . ALL THAT CAME BEFORE ME ARE THIEVES AND ROBBERS."

You will notice that the figure changes at verse seven. In the first six verses, He is the Shepherd to whom the porter opens the door of the fold that He may go into the fold and lead forth His sheep. Beginning with verse seven, He is the door of the Sheepfold. He has folded His sheep and has taken His place as the door by which the sheep enter and exit and by which they find pasturage.

He does not designate by name the thieves and robbers, but He means by those terms all the pretenders who before His day came pretending to be the Savior from God of His people. The world before the day of Our Lord had seen many of them as it has also seen since He went back to God. Those there have been and are who seek to usurp His functions as mediators between God and man in spite of the fact that His greatest servant has told us that Christ Jesus is the only mediator between God and man. From all false prophets and false Christs would He who is the door of the sheep protect us.

In this fact is our eternal security. He will not let His sheep be lost. They have been bought by Him at the price of His own precious blood. He has said that he will protect, preserve, garrison them against all forces that would threaten them. He said concerning His sheep, "My Father, who hath given them unto me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand" (Jno. 10:29). "Can the devil or any other power snatch one of the Shepherd's sheep away into eternal loss?" Oh! Yes! All the devil has to do is just to kill God! Just as easy!

He makes bountiful provision for His sheep. "I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and go out, and shall find pasture" (Jno. 10:9). Here, no doubt, is the declaration of the purpose of the Shepherd to provide all the arena of activity for His sheep. There are fields

Helen Eubanks Takes Educational Job At Kosciusko Church

Miss Helen Eubanks, native of Sallis, and now employed at the South Side Baptist church in Meridian, has accepted the position of educational secretary at Kosciusko's First Baptist church.

Miss Eubanks has resigned from her Meridian post and will arrive in Kosciusko to assume her new duties March 28.

Miss Eubanks, who is the daughter of Mrs. D. M. Eubanks and the late Mr. Eubanks of Sallis, was employed by the Kosciusko First Baptist church several years ago. She left here to take further training in educational work at the New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

Rev. T. E. Fant Leading Revival In California

Rev. T. E. Fant, pastor of Harmony Church, Laurel, is in California during February and March to conduct a series of revivals and work with pastors and missionaries.

He will lead the revivals at Alturas and Portola. The Portola pastor is Rev. James F. Fisher, native Mississippian and former pastor in this state.

He will also speak at the Feather River Association and Chico Church.

Mr. Fant expects to return some time in March. The Harmony Church of which Mr. Fant is pastor is sponsoring this trip as a mission project.

During his absence, Rev. Harold (Buddy) Hilbun will serve as supply pastor.

Mr. Hilbun is a member of the Hebron Church, Jones county and has served as supply pastor at his home church since last October.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and is at present a student at New Orleans Theological Seminary.

On Friday night, March 26, the Richton Church, Rev. W. M. Averitt, pastor, has invited all the Baptist men of Perry county to a county-wide men's rally. Supper will be served.

of service for his people sufficient for the employment of all their abilities for service.

There is no capacity with which He has endowed any one of His that He does not have a use for in the work of His kingdom. "They shall go in and go out." They shall find, full play for all their abilities. Here is one who has latent ability as a teacher; the Shepherd has a use for that ability. Here is one who has ability to bring consolation to the grieved and heavy-hearted; the Shepherd has need of that ability to be exercised in his ministry to the world. Another there is who has the ability to provide an example in the matter of Christian charity; the Shepherd has need of that grace to be exhibited and by that exhibition to be taught His people. And so of every endowment any man or woman may have. Maybe that is the meaning of the words, "Shall find pasture."

John Merritt Ordained



REV. JOHN H. MERRITT

John W. Merritt was ordained to the ministry at his home church, Macedonia, Lebanon Association, Rev. Earl Brooks, pastor, on Sunday, Feb. 7. The council was

composed of the following: Rev. Earl Brooks, moderator, Rev. A. R. Loftin, Rev. S. W. Waggener, Rev. W. M. Smith, Rev. Dan H. Holcomb, Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Rev. A. T. Walker and Rev. Garland McInnis; Deacons — B. L. Coulter, Ben Lee, Inman Merritt, T. J. Walters, C. V. Massey, A. J. Merritt, P. E. Hartfield and Joe J. Walters.

Brother Merritt has been called as pastor of the Chicora church (a new organization).

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor, First Church, New Orleans, will be the evangelist for the revival at First Church in Columbus March 21-28. Dr. S. R. Woodson is the pastor.

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Report Of Southern Baptist Convention Committee on Social Security Study

A special committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, appointed to study the Social Security question as it relates to ministers, has made the following report through its chairman, Dr. H. H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City:

FINDINGS

(1) Your committee has found this matter is far from a simple one. Good men everywhere hold diverse views with regard to it. There is a wide divergence of opinion within our own denominational group. Men in all denominational fellowships are in disagreement.

(2) In this matter as in others, Congress seeks to know the will of the people. Were the churches of America in accord with regard to this matter, they could practically write their own Social Security bill.

(3) A number of bills are now pending in Congress, purporting to include ministers under Social Security. They represent four bases of inclusion or coverage:

(4) Bill No. 6812, which has the endorsement of the Social Security Board and the backing of the administration, will be considered soon after Congress reconvenes in January. It calls for a voluntary coverage of ministers. However, the successors of those who choose coverage would be automatically covered, having no choice in the matter thereafter. Thus it operates on the voluntary principle today, obligatory tomorrow.

(5) Any basis of coverage presents many problems to our Baptist ministers and other denominational workers which ought to be considered now. Perhaps the least objectionable to most Christian bodies, probably the least objectionable to Southern Baptists, would be a coverage on the "self-employed basis" called for in the Cole Bill, HR-1236. Under this bill the Social Security contract would be with the individual, and would not involve the church.

(6) Social Security coverage in itself is not adequate. It makes no provision for the totally and permanently disabled. It permits no withdrawal of payments made by the member. In most cases it offers no benefits, under less than ten years participation. If the coverage basis be voluntary, neither employer nor employee severing relationship after ten years participation can ever be covered again.

(7) Already a number of our boards, institutions, and agencies, and some Baptist churches have covered their employees by Social Security as a substitute for what protection they formerly had under the retirement plans of our denominational board. In many cases, these workers are worse off than they were, which fact is tragic for them.

(8) If Social Security coverage is taken alone, either by the pastor of a church or by employees of some other denominational group, there may be in the future financial problems presented to the Relief and Annuity Board for which there is no solution, greatly endangering the future soundness of the present retirement plans, un-

less heavily subsidized by the denomination.

(9) It is evident our constituency remains uninformed as to many vital matters pertaining to this entire question. We believe that absolute freedom of action is desirable, but that final decisions should be made in the light of all the facts in the case.

(10) It is quite possible that our constituency will be facing this issue as a result of the passage of a bill in Congress before the St. Louis convention, June 2-5, 1954.

Recommendations

Your committee therefore recommends:

(1) That the Executive Committee inaugurate at once a program of information, through The Baptist Program and the denominational press, concerning the proposed Social Security program and our denominational retirement program.

(2) This body take necessary action to secure for our people representation at the public hearings before congressional committees, Washington, D. C., whenever such hearings are held. Many of the major denominations of America will be represented there through the National Council of Churches of Christ, which body does not represent Southern Baptists. It is our conviction requests should be made, in the light of all the facts, for a coverage bill least objectionable to our people and presenting fewer complications in the future. It should be a bill calling for a Social Security contract between the federal government and the individual, without in any sense involving the churches.

(3) Remind our entire constituency that the Relief and Annuity Board is the denominational agency in the field of protective plans, retirement, and otherwise, urging that, in every case where Social Security coverage is secured for our denominational servants, it be in addition to that offered by the Relief and Annuity Board, never as a substitute for that protection.

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As Easter season again approaches, perhaps many of us would like to find inspiration and enjoyment in the reading of Edna Easterwood's beautiful interpretation of the Easter story. Writing especially for boys and girls Miss Easterwood, a member of the Episcopal Church, introduces David and Mary, young people who might have lived in Jerusalem at the time of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. She imagines them greeting Jesus on Palm Sunday, seeing Him drive the money-changers from the Temple, helping Him serve at the Last Supper, learning of Judas' betrayal, witnessing the crucifixion and beholding the resurrection. As they come to know Jesus as a Man of infinite friendliness, kindness and understanding they realize what a great and exciting adventure serving God's cause for peace can be. Order WHEN THE TIME COMES from the Baptist Book Store or from aVntage Press, Inc., New York, New York, for \$2.75.

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In addition to her Sunday school work she has been president of the local W. M. U., superintendent of the Choctaw County Association W. M. U., and for nine years was superintendent of the Fifth District W. M. U.

She was active in the 75 million campaign and in the Now Club. Some of the pastors under whom she served are as follows: Reverends T. H. Wilson, W. H. Thompson, J. F. Parkinson, Tom Tomlinson, N. B. Wallace, J. L. Hughes, Jasper Phillips, R. L. Wallace, A. H. Mahaffey, M. J. Derrick, P. S. Rogers, J. H. Winstead, S. L. Morris, H. G. West, W. D. Wallace, D. L. Hill, J. B. Smith, Van H. Hardin, I. F. Metts and Sam M. Brown, her present pastor.

The doors of her home have been open to local and visiting preachers and denominational workers during all these years.

Editor's Note: She has no peer as a biscuit maker. Her hot 'uns can't be beat.

—BR—

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CHESTER L. QUARLES,
Executive Secretary,
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Convention Board

Armstrong New Zion-Oktibbeha Missionary



REV. FRANK ARMSTRONG

Rev. Frank Armstrong, new Superintendent of Missions of the Oktibbeha and Zion Associations is back in his home state.

A native of Gunnison, and a graduate of Mississippi College, he received the B. D. degree from Southwestern Seminary.

While in Texas attending the Seminary, he was pastor of the West Keechi Baptist Church and Associational Missionary of the Jack County Association.

Mrs. Armstrong is the former Miss Cheri Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Allen, of Indianola.

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SANFORD, N.C. (RNS) — The Sanford Board of Aldermen has inaugurated a plan of opening its meetings with prayer. The Young Adult Fellowship Class of Steele Street Methodist church made the suggestion recently and it was adopted by the board. The alderman asked the Sanford Ministerial Association to send a clergyman to each session in the future. The Rev. W. Wilbur Hutchins, pastor of First Baptist church, gave the invocation at the first meeting after the plan was adopted.

Report of Baptisms in SBC Churches

State	1952	1953	Loss or Gain
Alabama	23,399	25,060	+1,661
Alaska	204	327	+ 123
Arizona	1,793	2,325	+ 532
Arkansas	14,924	13,418	-1,506
California	5,537	7,049	+1,512
District of Columbia	1,505	1,528	+ 23
Florida	18,275	19,462	+1,187
Georgia	27,360	29,905	+2,545
Illinois	6,040	6,260	+ 220
Kansas	1,047	1,352	+ 305
Kentucky	23,214	23,436	+ 222
Louisiana	14,654	13,428	-1,226
Maryland	1,999	1,832	- 167
Mississippi	16,611	16,280	- 331
Missouri	18,283	18,602	+ 319
New Mexico	3,829	4,247	+ 418
North Carolina	30,689	31,095	+ 406
Oklahoma	20,240	19,954	- 286
Oregon-Washington	648	1,076	+ 428
South Carolina	16,015	16,900	+ 885
Tennessee	29,728	29,871	+ 143
Texas	61,715	62,593	+ 878
Mexican	1,500	1,334	- 166
Virginia	15,175	14,501	- 674
			+11,807
			- 4,356
	354,348	361,835	+ 7,487

Do-Good Neighbor

By: Louise Latimer Owen

Prudence Mason was a habitual do-gooder. Nobody in her church or community escaped her ministries if she heard of their needs—and she generally heard. She had two mottoes, "Do it now" and "A good deed every day." She didn't get that last one from the scouts; the scouts must have learned it from her.

"Ah Prudence I was just lying here wondering when you would come! And your wonderful soup! How could this town ever get along without you?"

Or, "Here comes Prudence and some of her beautiful flowers!" She heard such words every day for didn't she do a good deed every day? It was heart warming how grateful people were!

There came a Sunday morning when Prudence stared throughout the worship into the back of old man Briarcliff's head, and the sight disturbed her. Just the day before she had received her copy



of Popular Poems magazine and right square on the front page was a poem by Winslow Briarcliff. Unmistakably, it was the same man. Who else was ever named Winslow Briarcliff? Nobody ever had told her that Winslow Briarcliff wrote poetry. As soon as she read it, she was moved to telephone him and congratulate him, but she had squelched the impulse. Rich old Winslow had no need for her praise. Who did she think she was getting to be? Here she was, sitting right behind him in church. Strange coincidence! From hymns to prayers to sermon the conflict went on within her. To commend or not to commend!

The service ended and as the people flooded the aisles, her first motto "Do it now" assailed Prudence. She whirled on the startled old gentleman and said all the gracious, appropriate things she knew she would.

Did old man Briarcliff thank her? He did not! He merely grunted in a half-pleased sort of way and shuffled off self-consciously. It made Prudence angry—angry with old Mr. Briarcliff and angry especially with herself. She should have known better.

For the next few months Prudence carefully bestowed her good deeds where they were appreciated—the slums on the west side, the two shut-in old ladies on the edge of town, and such. She tried to forget about ungrateful people like Mr. Briarcliff. Then it happened. In response to her bell, she opened the front door one bright morning and there stood none other than Mr. Briarcliff. He was extending a package and trying very hard to smile.

"Mrs. Mason, I hope you will accept this. It's a volume of my little verses. If it had not been

Communists Admit Failure To Win Over Christians

BERLIN (RNS) — Intensive efforts of Communist groups in the Soviet Zone to win Christians over to the Communist life have had no success.

This was admitted here by Gerald Goetting, general secretary of the Communist-controlled East German Christian Democratic Union.

Addressing party functionaries, Mr. Goetting said that the education of the people along Commu-

nist lines "is being made difficult by the adherence of wide Christian circles to certain ideological systems and social theories to which they feel associated by convention."

"It is an open secret," he added, "that in some Christian layers the fear of a third world war is not as great as the fear of Communism, a fact cleverly nourished by Western propagandists."

ARE YOU ROBBING ME?

Another Lord's day had come to a close and my wife and I were grateful for the many blessings he had given during the day. We had witnessed many victories, people had been saved and many had united with the church. After a time of relaxation and fellowship with my family, we retired early, for the day had been a strenuous one.

The peace of the night was disrupted by the jangling of the telephone. "Benton, Ill., calling," came to my ear as I answered the call. From the distant place a voice asked, "Is this you, Pastor?" Without any explanation the lady insisted that I must come at once to her home in the distant town. Patiently I tried to determine the reason for the distress and see if I could come the next afternoon. I was so unusually tired and I had an engagement to speak at the Minister's Conference early the next morning and to my sleep-hungry body it just seemed impossible to make the exertion necessary to answer the call in the middle of the night. The lady hung up unquieted.

A glance at the clock revealed within an hour of the first disturbance, that the phone again was interrupting my rest. "Benton, Ill. calling." The distressed voice of the woman insisted that I please come to help her before morning even. I realized that the lady was in a serious distress and told her I would come as soon as I could. Within a few minutes my father and I were on the road to see if we could give relief to the woman's troubled soul in the city more than 100 long miles away.

Upon arrival in the town a short inquiry was made to determine the location of her home and when

for your kind compliments last Spring, I'd never have had the courage to offer it for publication. You have been a lesson to me." So saying, the shy old man quickly departed, leaving Prudence holding the book. She hadn't said one word.

As Prudence closed the door, she found her tongue and addressed herself to the absent Mr. Briarcliff. "I've been a lesson to you? You are the lesson to me. Some these months because my kind words weren't appreciated! You've shown me up. All this time I've been doing good deeds to get thanked. No, Mr. Briarcliff, you're the lesson to me!"

we drove to the address it was easy to see by the well lighted house that we were expected.

While my father waited in the car for developments, I went to the front door. The lady invited me in and asked me to sit down. She hurried into another room with the remark that she would be only a minute. In two clenched hands she thrust several church envelopes before her as she returned and asked me to please take them.

With a seriousness and spirit in her voice which I will never forget she told her story. "Pastor, several months ago I made a covenant with my Lord and with our church to tithe my salary. My husband also joined me in the dedication of our lives and our money to the Lord. We faithfully kept our promise for a few weeks and we were happier than we had ever been. Then we began to be careless with our tithe and soon we were not tithing, not even giving anything. Trouble began to come. Now our home is broken, my husband has gone, we have had nothing but sickness and trouble month after month. I believe it is because I had been robbing God of his money. Last evening I made it right with the Lord and before another day is finished I have to give the Lord what I owe him. Here is my tithe. I want you to take it to the church. Now I can lie down and sleep for I know I have tried to do what I ought to do for my Lord. You cannot fool God. He has a way of collecting and I have learned my lesson. I will never fail to tithe again. I know he is going to bless me for trying to get right with him."

After a word of prayer with the lady, I returned to my home. The trip brought a blessing to my heart which I will never forget.

Constantly by many such experiences I am convinced of the truth of God's word which we find in Lev. 27:30. "The tithe is Holy to the Lord." As Christmas we need the courage to heed his call, to be faithful stewards of our possessions and claim the promise and thereby put me to the test, of Mal. 3:10, RSV, "Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; to pray that the Lord will give us says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing."

"The tithe is the Lord's."

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